

Thalidomide victims will get £5m to offset effect of tax

The Government is to seek parliamentary approval "as soon as possible" for a "once-for-all" capital payment of £5m into the thalidomide children's trust to offset the effect of taxation on compensation paid to parents. No change in the tax law will be made. The Government also plans to give £3m to the Rowntree Memorial Trust to aid severely congenitally handicapped children.

Other children to get £3m

By Our Political Correspondent
Dr Gilbert, Financial Secretary to the Treasury, yesterday promised early Government action to offset the effects of taxation on the compensation payments made to the parents of thalidomide children.
This will avoid changes in the tax law. The Government estimate to enable £5m to be paid into the thalidomide children's trust fund in a way which should at least offset the effects of taxation.
Dr Gilbert said: "In this way we shall ensure that the position of the thalidomide children is not prejudiced and at the same time we shall avoid any possible objection to the tax considerations applying to any settlement in any comparable tragic case which could arise in the future."
The Government has decided to seek parliamentary approval at the same time for a second £3m to be paid into the Rowntree Memorial Trust to provide assistance for severely congenitally handicapped children.
This is in addition to the £3m authorized by the previous government.
It is obviously intended to offset the tax difficulties which arise to those who are severely handicapped.
Dr Gilbert said that although the Rowntree Memorial Trust had always been free, there had been "generous misgivings" about the payments made by the Government to the beneficiaries would be treated as income for tax purposes.
If the parents had understood when they accepted the Distillers' offer in 1973 that benefits from the fund counting as income would be taxed, "the final settlement might not have been agreed on that basis".
Dr Gilbert continued: "A letter of September 30 to Mr Jack Ashley, MP, I made it clear that it would not be possible to amend the tax law to deal with the situation. The previous government had come to a similar conclusion. But the Government have decided to seek parliamentary authority to make a once-for-all capital payment to the thalidomide children's trust. A winter supplementary estimate will be presented to Parliament as soon as possible. This should enable a payment of £5m to be paid into the fund before the end of January."
It will, of course be for the trustees to deal with this additional assistance to individual children in accordance with the terms of the trust, Dr Gilbert said.
According to the Government, the tax position of the thalidomide children's trust is that it is a registered charity not liable to income tax on its income, or liable to capital gains tax. A similar trust which was not a charity would have to pay tax at 48 per cent on its investment income, and 30 per cent on capital gains. Thus the thalidomide trust can reinvest the full amount, with no tax reduction, of any surplus of its income and capital gains over what it pays out.
Some payments from the trust to the children will rank as the children's income for tax purposes; others will not. Regular cash payments to the children would normally be taxable; but a payment by the fund, to meet, for example, the cost of house exten-

Dr Kissinger presses Russians on arms cut

Moscow, Oct 25.—Dr Henry Kissinger, the Secretary of State, today detailed American views on curbing the strategic arms race to Mr Brezhnev, the Soviet party leader, and the two sides described the session as useful.

Discussion of this important topic, regarded by the United States as central to Soviet-American détente, dominated both rounds of talks between Dr Kissinger and the Soviet leader on their second full day of high-pressure negotiations.

An official joint statement, issued while the second meeting was under way during the evening, said that the two sides "thoroughly discussed questions pertaining to further measures to limit strategic armaments. The sides believe the exchange of opinions was useful, and discussion on these matters will be continued".

The statement gave no details of the substance of the talks, which lasted for five hours in all.
Dr Kissinger was understood to have put forward some principles which could provide basic guidelines for a new strategic arms limitation agreement to cover the 10 years 1975-85 and replace the 1972 arms treaty.

Apart from the brief statement, there was no indication of Soviet reaction to the Secretary of State's ideas. Kremlin officials were understood to have indicated that they did not regard the arms limitation problem with the same urgency as Dr Kissinger.

Today's two meetings between Dr Kissinger and Mr Brezhnev followed yesterday's seven hours of discussions.
Dr Kissinger is known to have come to Moscow hoping to work out guidelines for discussion on a new agreement that could be approved formally at a summit between Mr Brezhnev and President Ford.

The summit is believed to be in the forefront of Soviet thinking at the moment, and a time and place for it—probably the Far East—are expected to be announced before Dr Kissinger leaves for India on Sunday.

Most signs in Moscow suggest that the Soviet leadership will not move on to any substantive consideration of arms limitation until they have a chance to assess Mr Ford's commitment to détente at first hand.

This appeared to be confirmed by the composition of the Soviet side at the talks today. Marshal Andrei Grechko, the Defence Minister, was absent and Mr Brezhnev was accompanied only by Mr Gromyko, the Foreign Minister, Mr Anatoly Dobrynin, the Soviet Ambassador in Washington, and a senior Foreign Ministry official.

In Dr Kissinger's group was Mr Helmut Sonnenfeldt, his close adviser on defence matters, and other arms and security experts.
Missile launched: The United States has successfully test-fired and launched an intercontinental missile from an aircraft for the first time, the Defence Department said in Washington.

Major-General Wynant Stille said a MiG-25 fighter was dropped from a C-5A jumbo jet over the Pacific test range and the rocket motors fired with upward thrust for a period of 10 seconds.—Reuter.



Employers waiting above as the lorry drivers' union leaders talked with conciliation officers on the floor below in Glasgow yesterday. The talks broke down after more than five hours. Report page 2.

Britain puts future of Simonstown naval pact in the balance

By George Clark
Political Correspondent
Mr Callaghan, the Foreign and Commonwealth Secretary, last night reassured Labour's opposition to apartheid and racialism and declared that the South African Government had "manipulated" the recent visit by 11 ships of the Royal Navy to Cape Town to make it appear that Britain approved its policies.

Reflecting a decision of the Cabinet taken on Thursday, when there was an inquest into the circumstances in which the ships visited Cape Town with all the appearance of being on a "good-will" trip, Mr Callaghan announced that the future of the Simonstown Agreement would now be reviewed.

In the meantime, calls by Royal Navy ships at South African ports would be "strictly for minimum operational purposes".
The South African Government, he said, had seized on the recent visit as lending support to them at a time when they were under particular criticism at the United Nations. Britain had now to consider whether the Simonstown Agreement should be continued and whether its advantage militarily was outweighed by the political damage it did.

Mr Callaghan's speech, made at the annual dinner of his constituency Labour Party in Cardiff, will go some way to placate the Labour backbenchers who were highly critical of the reports that came from South Africa and who have demanded an end to joint naval exercises with South Africa.
Nevertheless, it is probable that a group of Labour left-wingers, supported by many from the centre of the party, will table a Commons motion next week criticizing the Ministry of Defence and demanding the ending of the Simonstown Agreement.
In his speech, Mr Callaghan said: "The Labour Party, and Labour governments from 1945 onwards, have a long historical record in the cause of anti-colonialism and of anti-racialism. We repudiate both colonialism and racialism."
"The British Government has nothing in common with the policies of apartheid and racialism which are repugnant to us, and which cause particular strain on our relations with South Africa."
For this reason, he said, the Labour Government, shortly after coming into office cancelled the so-called "good-will" visits by the Royal Navy "which were intended to improve relations between two countries, however good may be the personal relations between those who take part in them."
For the same reason, Mr Callaghan said, the Government did not sponsor sporting or cultural contacts. "We reimposed the embargo on selling arms to South Africa and we shall continue to associate ourselves at the United Nations with proposals aimed at ending apartheid, whilst reserving the right to use our own political judgement on each particular issue," he said.
"We have encouraged British industry in South Africa to improve the pay and standards of the Africans."
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PLO wins first round at Rabat

From Edward Mortimer
Rabat, Oct 25
The Palestine Liberation Organization won an important first-round victory here today in its diplomatic struggle with King Husain of Jordan.

The Arab League ministerial council, preparing tomorrow's summit, adopted a draft resolution which in effect recognizes the PLO's exclusive right to control the West Bank of Jordan if Israel should withdraw from it.
The draft resolution on Palestine consists of two clauses. The first, to which the Jordan delegation did not object, confirms the right of the Palestinian people to return to their country and determine their own future.

Strong opposition, however, came from the Jordanians over the second clause which said that liberated Palestinian territory would return to the Palestinian people under "the leadership of the PLO". The "confrontation forces" would undertake to support any independent authority set up by the Palestinian people.
Mr Abdul Mohsen Abu Maiseir, the PLO spokesman, emphasized at a press conference that "confrontation forces" meant all the states which had played a major part in the conflict with Israel, such as Saudi Arabia, or had sent forces to fight in the October war.

Mr Wilson loses some papers

The disappearance of tax return documents and other personal papers belonging to Mr Harold Wilson was being treated by Scotland Yard last night as theft.

They disappeared from a desk at the Prime Minister's home in Lord North Street, Westminster. He missed them during the February general election campaign.

As details emerged last night, the mystery deepened. According to the spokesman, the disappearance was reported to the police some time ago, but last night Scotland Yard would not say exactly when it was reported. A reliable police source said it was not until October 7 last.

It would appear that Mr Wilson at first assumed he had mislaid the papers. Now it is believed they may have been missing before the February election.
The documents relate to Mr Wilson's time as Leader of the Opposition.
The discovery of the loss was made by Mr Wilson himself.

Clocks go back

British Summer Time ends at 3 am tomorrow. Clocks and watches should be put back one hour. BST resumes at 2 am on March 16, 1975.

National Savings stamp to be polished

By Margaret Stone
National Savings stamp, introduction to saving sixpence to be phased out over six to two years. The decision is expected to be announced by Jell, Paymaster General.

Robert Bellinger, the chairman of the National Savings Committee, was told of the move on Thursday. He said it would be a blow to the savings movement, which has 150,000 zero workers.
Two years ago the Page on national savings amended that both the stamp and the voluntary movement should be abolished. Mr Bellinger, then Chancellor of the Exchequer, rejected the proposal.

There is no suggestion this time that the volunteer movement should be axed. "We have your respect", Sir Robert said, "to try to reorganize and get our energies else-"

stamp now sells at the £120m a year, with the movement accounting for a quarter. It is understood some form of stamp retained for the specific purpose of serving towards a licence.
Mrs Elsa Perkins, secretary of the National Street Saver's Committee, yesterday said that abolition of the stamp would outrage the people who had been buying it for years. "I will fight it on behalf of the small people of this"

Iris MacDermott, who is selling stamps from door in Lambeth for 33 said: "My Darby and denbers will cry when an it is the only way to buy their television and pay their bills."

cern over 's breathing

Purchase of Gloucester's by prematurely on will be "a matter of amount of concern after the week-end member of the Duke's said last night.
done as well as he condition is satisfactory is only halfway
We shall not know answers about the baby on 24 or 26 hours."
must earlier yesterday atington Palace referred continuing difficulty "eathing". The baby only 4lb 2oz at birth. a visit lasting nearly to St Mary's Hos- dington, London, yesterday. The duchess was very well baby was "bearing up",

Police question 50 on bombs in dawn raids

By Clive Borrell
Detectives investigating bomb attacks in London and the Home Counties were last night studying notebooks and diaries seized in raids in London, Birmingham, Bristol and Liverpool. More than 50 people were roused before dawn and questioned while their homes were searched. No one was arrested.
Many of the homes searched are occupied by Irishmen and known sympathizers of Irish Republican organizations.
Mr Danny Ryan, a national organizer in Britain of Glann na nEireanna, a political wing of the republican movement, was questioned for more than three hours while police searched his home in Brislington, Bristol. Detectives took away pieces of wire, tape, cameras, swabs from the floor and a minutes book.
"I am a maintenance engineer and the pieces of wire and tape are what you would expect to find in a house like mine. They have nothing to do with explosives", Mr Ryan said.
In London yesterday the Metropolitan police were making final plans to cope with what is expected to be a massive concentration of demonstrators tomorrow protesting at the presence of troops in Ulster. Several hundred police will be available to move into the Kilburn area for the demonstration.

Moderates put up opponent to Mr Mikardo

Mr Clewyn Hughes, former Secretary of State for Wales and Minister of Agriculture, a leading moderate, is to challenge Mr Ian Mikardo, champion of the left wing, for the Labour Party chairmanship. To give Mr Hughes a clear run, Mr Arthur Bortomley, Mr Frederick Willey and Mr William Hamilton have given assurances they will not stand. Mr Mikardo won the post in March.
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British Airways may buy Fokkers

British Airways is looking at the German-Dutch Fokker Friendship aircraft as an alternative to the HS 146, to replace the airline's aging Viscount fleet. Meanwhile Hawker Siddeley has deferred cancellation of the controversial 146 for a month. Union representatives will lobby MPs in an effort to save the project.
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Man grows older

An American-French expedition has found fossilized human remains in Ethiopia dating back between three and four million years. The fossils are said to be almost 1,500,000 years older than those discovered on the shores of Lake Rudolf in Kenya nearly two years ago.
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Mrs Furtseva dies

Mrs Ekaterina Furtseva, the Soviet Minister of Culture, died suddenly yesterday, apparently of a heart attack. She was 63. Earlier this year she reportedly slipped from favour and lost her seat in the Supreme Soviet.
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Probation for mother

A third cousin of the Queen who killed her daughter, aged nine months, was put on probation for 12 months yesterday. Mrs Elizabeth Wise pleaded guilty to manslaughter on the ground of diminished responsibility.
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Ford election tour

President Ford is failing to arouse much enthusiasm during his campaign tour for the mid-term elections. Yesterday, however, he encouraged the Republicans by attracting crowds of several thousand in Des Moines, Iowa.
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US trade improves

America's trade gap in September narrowed to \$233.3m against \$1,131.8m in August. First National City Bank cut prime rate by 3 per cent to 11 per cent. Other banks followed the trend.
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Gas board to pay £27,000 damages

A Feltham widow was awarded £27,627 agreed damages in the High Court yesterday after the death of her husband from carbon monoxide poisoning from a gas water heater in an unventilated bathroom was found to be due to the negligence of the North Thames Gas Board.
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Fanfani attempt fails

Senator Fanfani last night gave up his attempts to form a new Italian Government. The senator has recently been described as the Christian Democrats' "last card". A statement issued by the Liberal Party said Italy's present crisis was the most serious since the Second World War.
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A reflection of good taste
Blue Nun from Sichel
right through the meal.

HOME NEWS

Scotland faces food supply disruption as strike talks fail

From John Chartres Glasgow Scotland faces a prolonged...

Talks called by officers of the Conciliation and Arbitration Service in Glasgow broke down after more than five hours yesterday on the issue of bonus payments for drivers' milages.

Neither side met yesterday and later each accused the other of adopting intractable positions. Late last night shop stewards were discussing ways of intensifying picketing next week and of obtaining support from workers in England.

During yesterday's talks each side met in separate rooms with Mr Tom Smith and Mr Roger Phayre, conciliation officers, moving between them to try to find common ground.

Afterwards Mr Alex Kinon, Scottish executive officer of the Transport and General Workers' Union, said that the breakdown had come about over the employers seeking to increase the milage above which bonus would be paid by 10 miles to 300 miles in 10 hours.

For the employers, Mr George Mackenzie said that they were prepared to bring forward a top rate of £40 a week for 40 hours work to be operative immediately, instead of from January 1, but that the unions were not prepared to agree on increased productivity.

Meetings of drivers have been called for tomorrow in Glasgow and Grangemouth. On Thursday shop stewards said that in the absence of a settlement they intended to intensify their action so that food supplies to the whole of Scotland would be stopped. They would make concessions to hospitals and to companies shipping essential supplies to troops in Northern Ireland and permit limited supplies of newspapers to Glasgow newspapers.

So far there have been few marked effects on food supplies but some factories, including two large car assembly works, have been laying men off because of the non-arrival of parts and materials.

Political pressure for government intervention is likely to mount. Mr Wilson and other Cabinet ministers have indicated that they are keeping a close watch on the situation but think it would be unwise to intervene with troops or other emergency measures until there is a recognizable breakdown of essential services.

Talks on the Glasgow bus and Underground workers' dispute broke down late yesterday after the workers rejected an offer.

Talks are due today on the strike of Glasgow cleansing department's drivers, whose stoppage has led to about 20,000 tons of refuse lying uncollected.

Complacency charge: Mr Heath yesterday accused the Government of playing into the hands of the Scottish National Party by complacency over the strikes (our Political Staff writes).

He called on the Prime Minister to instruct Mr Ross and Mr Foot to ensure immediately that the pay restraint of the social contract was honoured, or to admit that it was irrelevant to questions of pay and industrial peace. Contingency plans must be prepared to prevent health hazards and maintain food supplies.

Rolls strike continues: A strike of 6,000 Rolls-Royce workers, which has crippled the company's Scottish production, is to continue, 2,000 men decided unanimously yesterday (the Press Association reports).

Farmers in Wales back meat import ban

From Our Correspondent Aberystwyth

The Welsh Council of the National Farmers' Union decided at Aberystwyth yesterday to back legal steps to prevent the importation of all meat from Ireland and other countries. It said that preventive action would be taken at Welsh ports.

The council also decided to call on Mr Peair, Minister of Agriculture, for a floor price for beef. It said it would be meeting Mr Morris, Secretary of State for Wales, next Friday to give him evidence of a grave lack of fodder on Welsh farms.

Meat subsidy: The Government decided yesterday to support an EEC scheme for reducing the Community's glut of beef by subsidising wholesalers to store supplies for four months (our Agricultural Correspondent writes). That means 25,000 tons will be taken off the British market.

The decision in favour of the scheme, which will be prepared by the Community beef management committee on Monday, implies tacit acceptance of the claim by beef farmers that the present slaughter premium has failed. That was intended to encourage farmers to keep animals through the winter.

Sugar production: Tata & Lyle said last night that it would reduce production if the EEC subsidy scheme for cane supplies did not work.

Mental breakdown

One woman in six and one man in nine will spend some time in a psychiatric hospital, but it is much less usual for a professor of psychology to suffer a severe mental breakdown and be able to chronicle each step of his treatment. Tomorrow the Sunday Times publishes the story of such a man, who was able to see the whole process as both academic and patient.

Labour moderates all out to win party post

By Geoffrey Smith Political Staff

Mr Cledwyn Hughes, a former Secretary of State for Wales and Minister of Agriculture, and one of the leading Labour moderates, is to stand against Mr Ian Mikardo for the chairmanship of the Parliamentary Labour Party. To give him a clear run against Mr Mikardo, the incumbent and the champion of the left wing, Mr Arthur Bottomley, Mr Freddie Wilby and Mr William Hamilton have given assurances that they will not stand again.

Mr Mikardo won in March essentially because of the split vote of the centre and right of the party. He was ahead by only 14 votes in an election where 272 votes were divided between five candidates. Because there were so many candidates it was then agreed not to have further ballots but to award the office to the candidate with the most votes even though he had no overall majority.

Even should a third runner come forward this time it is unlikely that anyone will be declared the winner before he has secured an overall majority. The main point of speculation is whether the Opposition leader will choose Lord Carrington, former Secretary of State for Defence, as the principal spokesman on foreign affairs.

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Mr Heath ponders 'shadow' changes

By George Clark Political Correspondent

Mr Heath continued his consultations yesterday with other leading Conservatives about Shadow Cabinet changes which are to be announced before next Tuesday, when the new session of Parliament will be opened by the Queen.

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Suspended sentences and fines for 'blue' films

By Our Political Correspondent

Three men and two women were said by a judge yesterday to have enabled others to reap a "rich and illicit harvest" from the sale of "blue" films.

Mr Justice Wain said at Birmingham Crown Court that all of them were, in varying degrees, victims of corruption and exploitation by people conducting a highly lucrative business as a result of their willing cooperation. They had degraded themselves beyond measure "for the sake of apparently small sums". But, the judge said, they acknowledged "the manifest obscenity" of the films.

George Mason, aged 37, of Pentash Grove, Moseley, Birmingham, described as a link man in the pornographic film organization, was sentenced to nine months' imprisonment, suspended for two years and fined £200 or two months' jail in default.

Colin Richards, aged 34, of Phillips Street, Aston, Birmingham, who as caretaker allowed the American owner to use the flat for filming, was fined £350 or six months.

Shelia Utah, aged 37, of Wright Street, Small Heath, Birmingham, who was one of the performers, was sentenced to three months' imprisonment, suspended for a year.

Two other minor performers, Jacqueline Winch, aged 21, and Melvyn Sack, aged 28, living in Oakfield Road, Selly Park, Birmingham, were each fined £150 or two months' jail.

All had been awaiting sentence for a week after pleading guilty to conspiring with others to publish obscene films.

The judge rejected defence counsel's application for Miss Winch and Mr Sack to change their pleas to not guilty, but in dealing with them he said they had played the least important part in the conspiracy.

Government may have lead of three in House

By Our Political Correspondent

After the elections of deputy chairmen next week it is expected that Labour's overall majority in the Commons will be three. The non-voting officers will be Mr Selwyn Lloyd, the Speaker, a Conservative; Mr George Thomas (Cardiff West, Lab), Deputy Speaker and Chairman of Ways and Means; and Mr Oscar Murton (Poole, C), a Labour backbencher, who will be deputy chairman.

The Labour choice seems to lie between Sir Alfred Broughton (Bathley and Morley) and Sir Myer Galpern (Glasgow, Shettleston).

Mr Alec Purkis, chairman of the Society for the Aid of Thalidomide Children, saw the decision as recommitting government responsibility in approving thalidomide for prescription through the National Health Service.

He said that many people were critical that too much attention had been paid to thalidomide victims to the neglect of people with other handicaps. As chairman of the All Party Group, he had been working behind the scenes for five years for all handicapped people.

Mr Lewis Waddilove, director of the Rowntree Memorial Trust, said that the Government's decision was not wholly unexpected. Since the fund was set up in April, 1973, with £3m provided by the Government, 18,000 applications had been received and more than 10,000 grants averaging £200 each had been made.

Mr Jeck Ashley, Labour MP for Stoke-on-Trent, who has played a leading part in the campaign on behalf of the thalidomide children, said that the "imaginative and generous offer" lifted the shadow of poverty from the victims.

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Mixed reaction to thalidomide tax aid

By Diana Geddes

The Government's decision to pay £5m into the thalidomide trust to offset the effects of taxation had accentuated the unfair gap between the few disabled people who were helped and the many others who received no compensation, several leaders of groups working for the disabled said last night. However, the Government's move was generally welcomed.

Mr Peter Large, of the Disablement Income Group, said: "The vast majority of the estimated 125,000 disabled people in this country receive only supplementary benefits. They are still left out in the cold. The thalidomide children are, from a financial point of view, the most fortunate in the disabled world, apart from the very few who can claim damages after an accident."

He welcomed the Government's proposal to make a second payment of £3m into the Family Fund of the Rowntree Memorial Trust to help severely congenitally handicapped children under 16, but said it was a meagre sum when divided among the estimated 100,000 children who were as disabled or more disabled than the 400 thalidomide children.

Magazine gives apology to grocery chain

By Our Political Correspondent

A magazine's colour photographs of a dirty packet of suet and a puerescent dried beefing brought a High Court libel writ from Fine Fare, the grocery chain.

The text to the pictures in The Sunday Times magazine said the goods were purchased at Fine Fare's store in Voltaire Road, Clapham, London, but there is no Fine Fare store there.

The shop in Voltaire Road to which the defendants had intended to refer is in fact called Clapham Food Fare and has no connexion with Fine Fare, their counsel, Mr Alec Grant, said. He was reading an agreed statement disposing of Fine Fare's action, brought, he said, to vindicate their reputation, not to seek damages.

A rusty can of peas shown in another photograph had been bought at a Fine Fare branch in Cardiff, but the magazine had got the address wrong. A carton of creamed coconut with a cracked and partly displaced lid was admittedly sold by a Fine Fare shop in Leicester. The company regretted that it was overlooked by the staff. A different type of carton was now used by the manufacturers.

The publishers, as well as expressing their regret, had agreed to pay Fine Fare's legal costs.

Mr Justice Milmo gave leave for the record of the action to be withdrawn.

Court called 'soft' wants children's law changed

From Our Correspondent Stockport

The juvenile court at Stockport, Cheshire, is asking for changes in the law after complaints that they are "too soft" in dealing with young offenders.

The juvenile panel disclosed yesterday that it is asking four local MPs for assistance.

One of the magistrates has resigned "in frustration" over the system of dealing with young people in trouble.

Mr Arthur Harding, chairman of the juvenile panel and a magistrate for 13 years said yesterday that there had been many criticisms of the apparent failure of the present Act. "The law restricts the powers of the juvenile court to deal adequately with young people. There is also a lack of facilities, particularly secure accommodation for offenders."

"The problem was highlighted in Stockport recently when Mr Michael Burlin, resigned. The majority of the magistrates feel that his reason were in line with their own feelings. We are writing to the MP for a meeting for advice on steps which could be taken. We hope they will bring pressure on the appropriate ministers."

The chairman-elect of the panel, Miss Mildred Orchardson, said: "There have been complaints from the public, the press and other media that we are being too lenient with offenders. But our hands have been tied by the law. So much has been put into the hands of the social services department. We want a change in the law."

When he resigned, Mr Burlin, aged 39, stated: "I do not know what measures will deter juveniles but I am satisfied the present system holds little fear for regular offenders."

Windlesham BBC tribute

By Kenneth Cosling

Independent television has good reason to be thankful for the freedom from government pressures which the BBC built up in its early years. "This is not so in other parts of the world," Lord Windlesham, who is joining ATN Network next month as joint managing director, said yesterday.

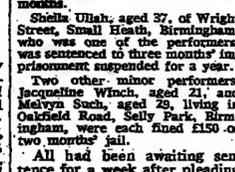
"All broadcasters should be concerned about the principle of independence, and any new arrangements for financing the BBC should be made only after a period of very thorough scrutiny by an all party independent committee," he said.

Lord Windlesham is returning to independent television after four years as a minister in the Conservative government, and as a member of the Shadow Cabinet. He said that television standards had improved, particularly in news drama series.

"There are four on our Father-Brown; Upstairs, Downstairs; South Riding, a Jenny, each of which a 5 years ago would have been regarded as a major event. Independent television has had improved news programmes when you think how I regarded News at Ten as the most authoritative news programme."

Weather forecast and recordings

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W, fresh or strong; max 9 (54°F). Borders, Edinburgh, E. S. land: Mostly cloudy, occasional rain, clear and dry later; wind becoming NW, fresh of strong max temp 10°C (50°F).

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Yesterday London: Temp: max 6 at 6 pm, 13°C (55°F), min 10 at 6 pm, 9°C (48°F). Rain, 6 pm; 79 per cent. Rain, 24 at 6 pm, all Sun, 24hr to 4.1 litre. Bar: mean sea level, 1,021.2 millibars, rising. 1,000 millibars = 29.32 in.

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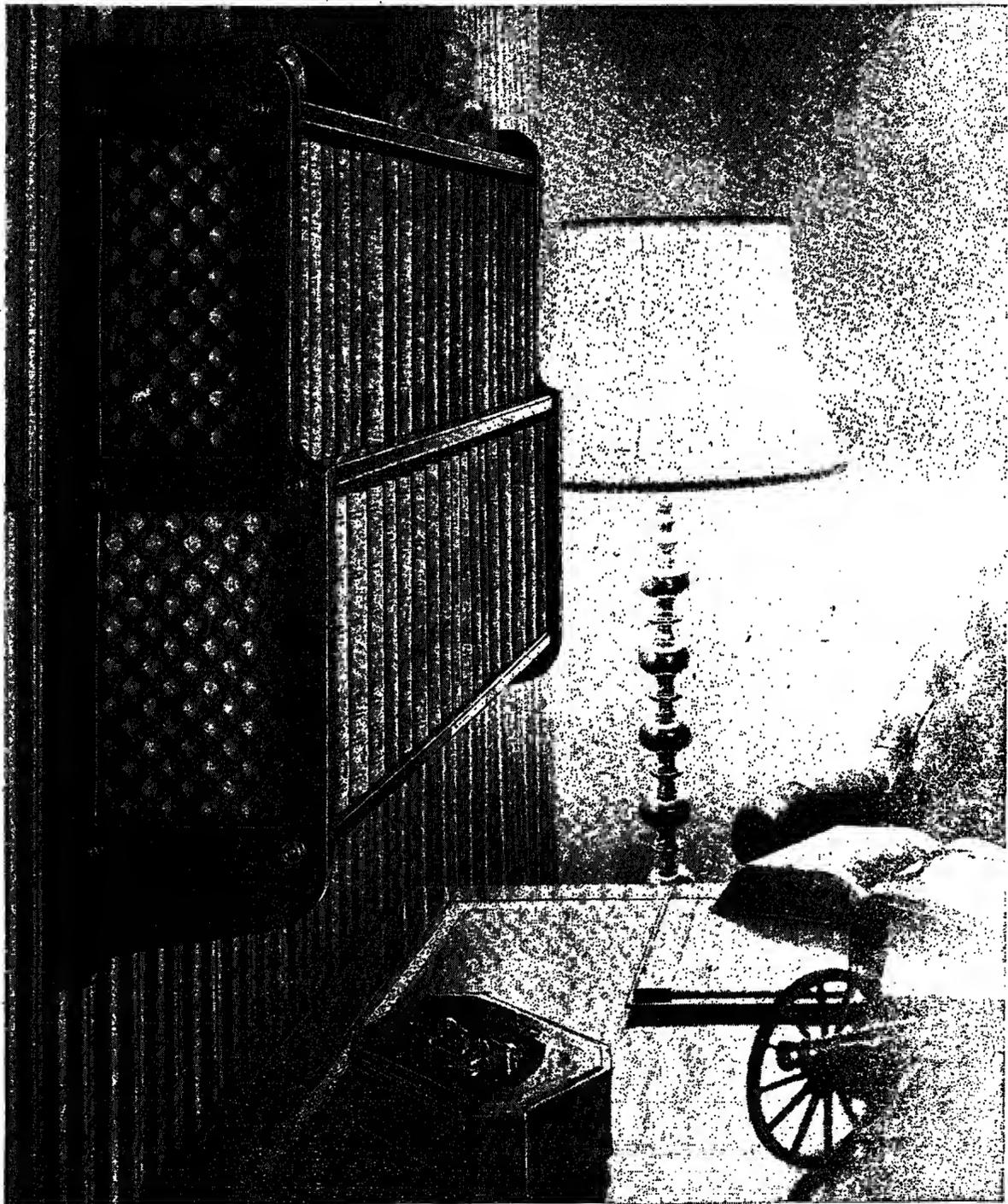
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Inflation is not, unfortunately, only a problem in Japan.

Please note that because of postal difficulties in central London applications should be directed to Sir Winston's former home at Chartwell, Kent.

This offer must close in Great Britain on November 30th 1974.

HOME NEWS

Mrs Castle challenges Sir Keith Joseph's 'irresponsible' views

By Our Political Correspondent Mrs Castle, Secretary of State for Social Services, yesterday challenged the basis of remarks made a week ago by Sir Keith Joseph, Conservative spokesman on home affairs. She said it was "frighteningly irresponsible" for him to have raised a cry of alarm about a threat to "our human stock" on inaccurate statements concerning births to single-parent teenage households.

households is actually about 4 per cent of births in social classes four and five. If we omit those of teenage broken marriages which cannot be enough to affect the argument. And if we look at the 1972 figures for England and Wales, only 3 per cent of all births were illegitimate teenage births. "On this flimsy basis Sir Keith's cry of alarm about a threat to our 'human stock'. To do so on such inaccurate evidence is frighteningly irresponsible. And to talk about the need to reorganise our society by special reference to girls in socio-economic classes four and five is wickedly unjust."

Nurses 'take substantial tips from patients'

By Diana Geddes Nurses in private hospitals and in private wards of National Health Service hospitals have been accepting substantial tips from patients, according to a report published in Snap, the fortnightly newspaper of the student section of the Royal College of Nursing. It cites the case of an agency nurse on night duty at a London private hospital who was given a £5 note by a male patient admitted for overnight observation. "I was a bit short of cash, so I took it," the nurse is quoted as saying. "I felt awful about it later. But £5 notes are given out all the time by patients."

Probation for woman who killed her baby

A third cousin of the Queen who killed her daughter, aged nine months, with drugs after doctors told her the child had no hope of living was put on probation for 12 months at Kingston Crown Court yesterday. Mrs Elizabeth Wise, aged 38, who was staying with friends at Kinbury, near Newbury, Berkshire, at the time, pleaded not guilty to murdering the child, Emma, last June but guilty to manslaughter on the ground of diminished responsibility. Mr Justice Kenneth Jones told Mrs Wise: "I regard this as a serious case. I am aware of exceptional cases. In my judgment you have suffered enough. You have been punished enough for the wrong which, according to law, you did."

pressed. She noticed the baby was sleeping for a long time. Mrs Wise said: "I have given her some tablets. I wanted her to die peacefully, but she is not dying. What shall we do?" Mr McCowan said the baby was taken to Bartle Hospital, Reading, where it died three days later. Mrs Wise told doctors she had given the baby nine or 10 Mandrax tablets through which the baby was fed. Police saw her at the hospital cradling the dead child in her arms. Later she told the officers: "I knew Emma had brain damage. There was not much hope for her. She was totally blind and practically deaf. I went back home, took a bottle of sleeping tablets from my friend's room, crushed them up, and gave them to her."

In brief Murder suspect dies in jail

A lodger accused of murdering his landlady last week has died while on remand at Bristol prison. Derek Lee, aged 19, was due to appear for a second hearing at Gloucester Magistrates' Court yesterday accused of murdering Mrs Margaret Avis, aged 47. Mr John Munday, the clerk of the court, said he understood from the police that Mr Lee died on Thursday. After the court hearing a senior police officer said Mr Lee had been suffering from an incurable blood disease.

Gelignite remand Bail of £10, with two sureties of £250 each, was granted by Epping magistrates yesterday to Frances Mabel Redman, aged 38, of Rosebery Avenue, Tottenham, north London, who is charged with possessing 28 sticks of gelignite at Waltham Abbey on October 15.

Cardinal recovering Cardinal Heenan, Archbishop of Westminster, aged 69, was said yesterday to be making satisfactory progress in Papworth Hospital, Cambridge, after an asthmatic attack which occurred 18 days after he had recovered from a heart attack.

£21,000 stolen Two masked gunmen are being sought by police after fleeing yesterday with £21,000 in wages from the Slough printing factory of Hazell's Offset Ltd only a few minutes after the money had been delivered.

Sir Adrian better Sir Adrian Bonit, aged 85, the conductor, who is recovering from a prostate gland operation in a London hospital, was much better yesterday, the hospital said.

Evidence concluded Judith Ward, the accused in the M62 coach bomb trial, ended her evidence yesterday after being in the witness box for a total of 19 hours, spread over five days.

WEST EUROPE

Italian crisis deepens as Senator Fanfani fails to form Cabinet

From Peter Nicholls Rome, Oct 25 Senator Amintore Fanfani, the Secretary of the Christian Democratic Party, might not be able to form a Government. He has recently been described by one of the ministers in the outgoing Government as the "Christian Democrat's 'last card'". It is now three weeks since the last coalition Government fell, and it has taken Senator Fanfani a fortnight of negotiations to arrive at his totally negative conclusion. Both the fall of the outgoing Government and the failure to reconstruct the coalition are generally seen here to have been caused by the bitter division between two of the old coalition partners, the Socialists and the Social Democrats, which has later well in the lead in terms of intransigence.

of the Second World War, and there was dismay in the presidential palace itself. There will now be a week-end in which the politicians will be able to judge the full extent of the danger involved in their failure to agree on broadly-based government in readiness for the new round of consultations which President Leone plans to start on Monday. With an eye on the urgency of reaching some arrangement by which the country will get a government, President Leone is limiting his consultations to what he feels to be minimum requirements. He will be seeing the leaders of the parliamentary groups of all parties in both Houses, the chairmen and secretaries of all parties and the speakers of the Senate and the Chamber of Deputies. Meanwhile, Senator Mario Tenassi, the Social Democratic leader, who is looked on as immediately responsible for the present situation, because he brought down the Government, is openly aiming at a centre-right coalition from which, naturally, the Socialists would be excluded.

E German leader urges speed-up in security talks

Helsinki, Oct 25.—Herr Willi Stoph, East German head of state, flew home today after a four-day visit in Finland, the first state visit outside the communist world by an East German leader. During his stay, Herr Stoph made repeated calls for a rapid conclusion to the European security conference and for calling the third stage of the 35-nation conference in Helsinki as soon as possible. In a statement issued on his departure, he said there had been far-reaching mutual understanding in his discussions on bilateral and international affairs with Finnish leaders.

£107,000 paid for remnants of Göring collection

Munich, Oct 25.—China, glass and other objects owned by Hermann Göring, the Nazi Air Force chief, and said by experts to be mostly valuable, fetched a total of DM640,000 (£107,000), more than five times their catalogue value, at an auction in Munich today. A silver plate with a hunting motif went for DM20,000, compared with a catalogue valuation of DM1,100. A spokesman for the auctioneers, acting on behalf of the Bavarian State Government, said the 470 items had been deliberately valued by the Government at their commercial value with no allowance for their worth to collectors. The Land took all the profits from the sale.—Reuter.

Britain looks to Bonn for Community budget support

By David Spanier Mr Callaghan, the Foreign Secretary, will visit Bonn on November 10 for talks with Herr Genscher, the West German Foreign Minister. The meeting marks the start of Mr Callaghan's most intense phase of renegotiation of the terms of Britain's membership of the European Community. His talks with Herr Genscher are particularly important because West German support is essential if the Community's budgetary arrangements are to be revised, as Britain wants. Officials express their satisfaction with the first report on the Budget issue approved yesterday by the European Commission in Brussels. Although the report has not arrived in London, it seems clear that it will be helpful to Britain's case. Officials here in Britain made its calculations on a different basis from the British Government's estimates, its conclusions are not very different, it seems, from Mr Callaghan's original claim that Britain risked paying more than its fair share. While urging on Herr Genscher the importance of the Budget question for Britain, Mr Callaghan will be looking forward to the meeting of heads of government proposed by M Giscard d'Estaing.

Britain is actively participating in the preparatory work for the summit, and the Government is anxious to avoid giving any impression to its partners in the Community that the process of renegotiation should hold up the Community's own programme. However, the agenda for the summit is far from clear. It seems likely to include the perennial questions of inflation, energy policy and organization of the Community's own institutions. M Giscard d'Estaing's remarks about limiting the right of veto might in theory cause some difficulties for the Government, but in practice it is hard to believe that France would go further on this than Britain. From the British point of view, the summit offers the opportunity, if the need arises, to give the negotiations on the Budget and other matters a push forward. The main work will be done by the Council of Ministers in Brussels, and the time for decisions will be reached at about the same time as the summit, which could be a useful coincidence.

'City regions' urged to avert urban sprawl

From Christopher Warman Local Government Correspondent Birmingham The inevitable increase in urbanization should be channelled into the development of city regions, Mr Gerald Smart, Hampshire county planning officer, told a conference of the British section of the Association of Local Authorities yesterday. He said their development as a means of avoiding "suburban sprawl from Brighton to Blackpool", but said that the quality of city regional life and environment would depend on the lead given by local government. There were about 20 city

regions in Britain, containing nearly three-quarters of the population, ranging from communities of half a million centred on provincial cities to London and the Home Counties, with a population of 12 to 13 million. They are there as facts of life, and need money for their development. They attract more and more people to live and work. They are dynamic, and tend to have momentum for economic growth and specialization that smaller or remoter centres do not possess," Mr Smart said. City regions had much to offer society as a whole, and therefore were seen as growth

areas in the strategic plans increasingly being produced by local government. British local government still largely administered metropolitan areas separately from their hinterland. "I think we are mad, flying in the face of reality." City regional management would be fragmented, administratively and politically. But the task was nevertheless essentially one for local government to lead. "If we do not," Mr Smart said, "you can say goodbye to local government." The development of city regions need not lead relentlessly to megalopolis.

Open doors in Russian seaborne academy

By Philip Howard The Soviet training ship Professor Ukhov, which is moored in the Pool of London beside HMS Belfast, opened its hatch and decks yesterday to inspection by the British press. This uncharacteristic example of the open door policy in a field notorious for secrecy and mutual apprehensions of espionage was partly caused by justifiable Russian pride in their state system of training merchant seamen. With happy libertarianism the 160 cadets, whose course includes 500 hours of English, acted as guides, while their officers and professors beamed magnificently in the background. Bright-eyed and bushy-tailed young Russians aged 19 or 20 led guided tours of their simulator bridge and radio room which work in tandem with the functional ones. Palatably prepared party pieces were delivered. Down in the training engine room, filled with technological marvels made and operated by students, a cadet said: "Welcome gentlemen, we have brought our small boat as far as possible to the gates of London in our country for your engineering." Yuri Chivirev, a navigator-cadet in the third year of the five-year course, explained: "Ukhov was famous for the grades of navigation who wrote many of the books we use in our college." In the spartan messroom and library, portraits of Lenin and contemporary magazines of the Soviet Communist Party looked down proudly on their young eager beavers. All went as smoothly as vodka and caviare, except for occasional differences of national opinion. "I am a Russian," said the journalist, "but I am not sticking to itineraries and timetables; the British photographers complained bitterly about my made in walk down the interminable corridors looking at photographs of Russian nautical colleges. Captain Vasilii Soopkov, master of the Professor Ukhov, showed the red flag and partly in take part in the intergovernmental Maritime Consultative Organization conference on safety at sea. Mr Alexander Borisov, head of the educational institute of the Soviet Ministry of Merchant



Eager beavers of the Russian Merchant Navy cluster behind the Professor Ukhov's master, Captain Vasilii Soopkov, in the Port of London yesterday.

W Berlin not to extradite girl held for murder

From Our Own Correspondent Bonn, Oct 25 The West Berlin authorities today finally decided to refuse the extradition to East Germany of an 18-year-old girl alleged to have murdered her father there. The city's attorney general thus reversed his original decision to extradite the girl, Fräulein Ingrid Brückmann. The decision to reject the East German request for extradition is bound to be seen in Berlin as a political provocation, as there has never been any suggestion that the girl's alleged crime had any political overtones. Fräulein Brückmann is alleged to have confessed to killing her father in July, 1972, because he had ill-treated her for years.

Trudeau hope of EEC link may mean year's wait

From Roger Berthoud Brussels, Oct 25 Mr Trudeau, the Canadian Prime Minister, left Brussels today with his main object of emphasizing Canada's separate identity largely fulfilled. But it was clear that full agreement on some form of contractual link between the European Community and Canada will take at least a year to achieve. Mr Trudeau repeated several times that Canada believed in the necessity of the Community and in its destiny.

Wilson refusal

Brussels, Oct 25.—Mr Wilson, the British Prime Minister, has turned down an invitation to a meeting of the Social and Socialist Democratic leaders of the European Community to be held in The Hague on November 1 and 2.

New authority appeals for higher grant

From Our Correspondent Worcester The new county council of Hereford and Worcester, which expects to end its first financial year nearly £5m in deficit, says it would need a rate increase of 53 per cent to 66p in the pound, to restore cuts and meet normal growth commitments next year. A 60p rate, barely adequate to maintain services and allowing for inflation growth of only 15 per cent, is more likely. Sir Michael Higgs, chairman of the authority, said that "huge and successive waves of inflation" had overruled the council. He appealed for public aid in seeking a higher grant.

Government blamed for 'poor' public buildings

By John Young Planning Reporter The standard of new public buildings would never be improved until the Government abandoned its hopelessly inadequate and unrealistic attitude towards architecture, said Sir Michael Williams, president of the Association of Official Architects, said yesterday. He was launching a recruitment campaign for the association which represents architects in central and local government and the health service. The association believes that the recession in private building and the resulting steep drop in architectural commissions provide an ideal opportunity to attract new

talent into the public sector, which has been affected less. Local authority architects have long felt like poor relations, and the association was founded in 1958 because they believed that neither the Royal Institute of British Architects nor the National Local Government Officers' Association adequately represented their interests. They insist that only higher remuneration and more money spent on the buildings would attract quality public criticism of low standards. Mr Williams said yesterday that one reason for the building of high rise flats was that it was impossible to build adequate low density housing which fit the financial limits.

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Backing for Brighton 'city in sea' plan

From Our Correspondent Brighton The Brighton marina company's plan to build a "city in the sea" instead of a conventional shoreline development associated with the proposed 2,000-berth harbour of Black Rock, Brighton, was described as "splendid and dramatic" by Sir Hersh Casson, the architect, yesterday. Sir Hugh, a member of the Royal Fine-Art Commission, was giving evidence for the

Post Office asked to try to save Saturday delivery

By Our Industrial Editor Lord Peddie, chief of the Post Office Users' Council, yesterday warned the Post Office Corporation's board and the Government not to take a hasty decision to abolish Saturday postal deliveries. His intervention comes when the board, which is negotiating with the Union of Post Office Workers, seems divided over a union offer to let more women and part-timers into the postal services in return for a five-day week. It would mean the end of Saturday deliveries and disrupt Sunday sorting arrangements for Monday deliveries. Postmen attend six times a week, but chronic staff shortages are disrupting the national postal service, already in deep deficit, and drawing mounting criticism from customers. Although the board may feel

that the public would accept no Saturday deliveries, it seems it fears a huge outcry, especially from the business community, if Monday mail should suffer. Lord Peddie stated yesterday that his council must be allowed to study the board's conclusions after its examination of the Union's proposals. The scale and frequency of the postal service was a matter for discussion between the Post Office and the statutory council. "It would be unacceptable to users generally, and to the council in particular, if any decrease in the frequency of Saturday deliveries were to be made without full consultation with all the parties involved," he said. His council was anxious to consider alternatives to maintain the principle of six-day service.

Crewmen locked skipper off bridge in sea lane

From Our Correspondent Blackpool A trawler was left without an officer in command in fog when the skipper, Mr Albert Watson, was locked in his cabin while the crew drank on the bridge in a shipping lane, a court was told yesterday. Fleetwood magistrates asked the prosecution to notify the Department of Trade at the end of the case that alcohol had been taken on board the Iceland-bound Wyre Conqueror, contrary to regulations. Kenneth McLeod, aged 19, a seaman, of Bold Street, Fleetwood, was fined £150 for endangering the ship or crew at sea and ordered to pay £100 compensation to the owner. John Wilson, aged 20, another crewman, of Radcliffe Street, Fleetwood, was fined £50 for stealing the ship's keys.

Attendances up at Motor Show this year

By Our Motoring Correspondent Against all expectations because of a slump in car sales and fears about the price of petrol, the final assessment at the Loddoo International Motor Show, which closes tonight, suggests attendances substantially up on last year. By yesterday evening 358,000 had visited Earls Court, 21,000 more than at the same time last year. This indicates a final total of at least 424,000, compared with 403,000. Most of the increase came in the first few days of the show. Mr John Bewick, director of the Society of Motor Manufacturers and Traders, organizers of the show, said last night: "We feel this shows that the public is still determined to have the personal freedom that the motor car provides."

Dauntsey's told to stop free scholarships

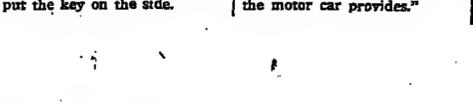
From Our Correspondent Devon Free scholarships to Dauntsey's, the direct grant school at West Linton, near Devon, are to end on the direction of the Department of Education and Science. The endowment of Alderman William Dauntsey's will of 1512 fills several thousand pounds short of the sum required even to maintain the 29 scholarships already in the school, it was disclosed yesterday. But none is at risk. The disclosure came in an agreed "interim" statement after a meeting between Mr Guy King-Reynolds, the headmaster, and managers of the school. It added that the department was not prepared to allow fees to increase to finance further scholarships.

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ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE DEMOCRATIC PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF KOREA

Answers given by the great leader COMRADE KIM IL SUNG to questions raised by delegation of National Association of Senegalese Journalists

Question: The youth problem is a matter of greatest concern for us. How have you solved this problem in your country?

Answer: The youth problem is a very important one, decisive of the success of the revolution and construction and related to the future destiny of a nation. Young people represent a great revolutionary force for the building of a new society. A great social change can be brought about only when the youth, vivacious, vigorous and courageous, take an active part in the revolutionary struggle and constructive work. The youth are also the successors to the revolution and the masters of future. The future of a nation can be bright only when the youth are sound politically and ideologically and morally and fully prepared for revolution. In the final analysis, any nation can gain a success in the revolution and construction and achieve national prosperity only when it solves the youth problem correctly.

A correct solution of the youth problem means closely rallying broad sections of young people into a revolutionary organization, and educating and training them in a revolutionary way to be competent workers for the building of a new society and prepared well as the successors to the revolution who will shoulder the future destiny of a nation.

We directed deep attention to the solution of the youth problem from the first days of our revolutionary struggle and solved this problem with success in each stage of the revolutionary development.

In fact, it can be said that our revolutionary struggle began with the work of educating and uniting young people. In the period of the anti-Japanese revolutionary struggle we, directing primary efforts to the work with the youth, educated the patriotic youth of all strata in a revolutionary way and firmly rallied them under the banner of anti-imperialist national liberation, organized the anti-Japanese guerrilla army with them and waged the glorious armed struggle for the liberation of the fatherland.

In order to solve the youth problem correctly after the liberation, we first of all formed a youth organization conforming to the specific realities of our country and the characteristic features of the youth.

Right after the liberation when the historic task of building a new, democratic Korea with the mobilization of all the patriotic, democratic forces throughout the country was raised, we organized the democratic youth league, a mass organization of youth, in conformity with the requirements of our revolutionary development and characteristic features of the youth in our country and rallied the youth of all walks of life into it. By so doing we could prevent the split of the youth movement and powerfully organize and mobilize the youth of all strata in the building of a new country under so complicated a situation.

In the solution of the youth problem we also attached importance to the work of educating and training the youth and always directed much efforts to it.

In the education of the youth, we are directing primary efforts to the strengthening of the education of the youth in Juche.

The Juche idea of Our Party is an idea that the masters of the revolution and construction are the masses of the people and that they are also the motive force of the revolution and construction. In other words, it is an idea that one is responsible for one's own destiny and one has also the capacity for hewing out one's own destiny. Only when the youth are firmly armed with the Juche idea can they take an active part in the revolutionary struggle and constructive work with a high consciousness as the direct performers of the revolution and construction, the masters of future. We, therefore, always give top priority to education in Juche in the ideological education of the youth.

Our experience shows that when all the youth are firmly armed with the ideas of their party, the lines and policies of their party, can they devote themselves to the struggle for the revolution and construction in their country with high national pride and revolutionary self-confidence, believing in their own strength.

What is of particular importance in the ideological education of the youth is the class education. Today the revolution assumes protracted nature not only in the bounds of a single country but also on a world-wide scale and generations go by constantly. Only when the class education of the youth, the new, rising generation, is strengthened, can they wage an uncompromising struggle against the enemy of the revolution, not forgetting the past days when there were oppression and exploitation.

Under the slogan: Don't forget the past, we are making efforts to educate the youth so that they may not forget the past when our people were exploited and oppressed by the imperialists.

We always direct special attention to the class education of the youth as the country is divided into two and we are standing directly faced with U.S. imperialism, the chieftain of world reaction.

We also educate the young people in the lofty patriotic spirit of infinitely loving their fatherland and their people.

He who does not love his fatherland and his people can not have a passion for the revolution in his country or devotedly struggle for its victory. We are intensifying the education of the youth in socialist patriotism to arm them with the spirit of infinitely loving their fatherland and people and are firmly preparing all the youth so that they may devote themselves to the struggle for the prosperity and development of the country and the well-being of the people, for the defence of the independence of the country and the gains of revolution from the enemy's encroachment.

What is also important in the education of the youth is to educate them to love labour and possess sound moral traits.

Apart from labour we can not speak about the prosperity and development of the country or the happy life of the people. It should be one of the noblest traits of the youth to love labour. We are educating the youth to love labour, regard it as the most honourable thing, consider it a shame to live idle doing no work, take the lead in tackling arduous work any time and any place and creditably do their bit in the revolution and construction.

We educate the youth to thoroughly oppose the corrupt bourgeois way of life and always live a frugal life and be polite in their act. It has become a trait of our youth in their daily life to live in a frugal and militant way and work with sincerity for society and collective.

Only when the youth master advanced science and technology, while arming themselves with the revolutionary ideas, can they take part in all social life truly and become masters and vigorously push ahead with the revolution and construction. We are now struggling by putting up a high level of demand that all the youth firmly arm themselves with advanced science and technology and possess one technique or more.

The youth of our country are playing a really important role in the revolutionary struggle and constructive work. Our youth performed great feats and undying exploits for the fatherland and the people in the period of the anti-Japanese revolutionary struggle, the period of the democratic construction after liberation, the period of the hard-fought fatherland liberation war and the difficult period of the postwar rehabilitation and construction. The unshakable resolution and high revolutionary enthusiasm of our youth build faster and better a new, happy society, a new life, are being fully displayed in all fields of socialist construction today, too.

The youth of our country are now in an excellent ideological and mental condition and their moral traits are very good, and all the youth are firmly rallied around our party and the government of the Republic. Bright is the future of our fatherland because there are the revolutionary youth firmly united around the party.

We can say with high pride that we have reared well the reliable new generation, the heirs to the revolution, who will carry forward the revolutionary cause of our party and people. This is a great joy and pride of our people.

Question: How do you think about interaction between agriculture and industry in the developing countries proceeding from the experience of Korea?

Answer: As you know well, most of the developing countries are backward agrarian countries whose industrial development is insignificant. If there is industry in these countries, it is only a deformed and one-sided, meagre industry built by the imperialists with a view to plundering rich resources. The backwardness of industry in the developing countries is a result of the colonial rule of the imperialists.

Our experience shows that the developing countries should build and develop their own national industry in order to completely liquidate the consequences of the colonial rule of the imperialists and achieve economic independence.

Industry and agriculture are the two major branches of the national economy, the former being the leading branch of the economy, without building and developing a national industry it is impossible to develop other branches of the national economy or develop and modernize agriculture.

Industry, heavy industry in particular, is the material basis of the country's economic independence. Without building one's own national industry with the heavy industry as the backbone, one can neither lay the foundation of an independent national economy capable of building up the economic life of the country on one's own efforts nor completely get rid of the economic subjugation and plunder by the imperialists. Without a firm independent national industry one cannot consolidate the already won political independence either.

It is not an easy job, of course, for the developing countries to build an independent national industry. These countries are short of fund and technique necessary for industrialization and have a few technical personnel. But, if the peoples of the developing countries struggle with a firm resolution to achieve the prosperity and development of their countries and the thriving of their nations with their own efforts and the resources of their own countries on the principle of self-reliance, they will surely be able to successfully carry out any difficult task.



President Kim Il Sung

The developing countries have rich resources and inexhaustible production potentialities.

The peoples of the developing countries are also turning out to a struggle for building a new life with an exceptionally high revolutionary enthusiasm and creative activeness. The creative wisdom of the masses of the people is inexhaustible and nothing is more powerful and resourceful than the masses of the people in the world. If the peoples of the developing countries who had been exploited and oppressed in the past courageously hew out the road of building a new life, deeply conscious that the masters of their destiny are themselves and their destiny must be shaped only by themselves, they will be able to overcome all obstacles and difficulties and occupy the fortress of industrialization without fail.

Further, if the developing countries strengthen economic and technical interchange and cooperation, they will be able to successfully fulfil the task of building an independent national industry in a short span of time without relying on big powers.

Question: How do you think about the reunification of divided Korea without outside influence?

Answer: It is the most important revolutionary task facing our people today to push aside the interference of outside forces and achieve the independent reunification of the divided fatherland.

Our nation is, by origin, a homogeneous nation which has lived with one culture and one language through a long history of thousands of years. Our country was divided into the north and south by outside forces at the end of World War Two and reunification has not been achieved still today due to the interference of outside forces. Outside forces are the very author of the split of our nation and the main obstacle to the reunification of our country.

The question of the reunification of our country is, to all intents and purposes, an internal question of our nation, which must be solved by the Korean people themselves. The internal question of the nation can be solved in conformity with the interests of the nation and the will of the people only by the efforts of the nation itself. The question of Korea's reunification can not be solved in reliance upon outside forces and there is no need for other peoples to interfere in the question of the reunification of our country. Our people are a resourceful and courageous people who are fully capable of solving the question of the country's reunification for themselves. If only the interference of outside forces is terminated in our country, our people will be able to achieve the peaceful reunification of the divided country for themselves. If the interference of outside forces is brought to an end, the dialogue now under way between the north and south will make a successful and rapid progress.

The outside forces which interfere in the internal affairs of our country and obstruct its reunification are none other than the U.S. imperialists. The U.S. imperialists have not only divided our country but also enforced a colonial rule in South Korea, occupying it for nearly 30 years. Tens of thousands of U.S. imperialist aggressor troops are still stationed in South Korea. There is no outside force in the northern half of our Republic and Our Party and the Government of the Republic never allow the interference of outside forces. Therefore, the most important question in realizing the independent reunification of our country is to force the U.S. imperialist aggressor troops to withdraw from South Korea which they are occupying under the flag of the "U.N. Forces".

From the first day of the split of the country Our Party and the Government of the Republic have consistently struggled to drive the U.S. imperialist aggressor troops out of South Korea and defined it in the north-south joint statement published in 1972 as the most important principle of national reunification to achieve the reunification of the country independently, without reliance upon or interference of outside forces.

Consequent upon the consistent efforts of the Government of our Republic and the active support and encouragement of the progressive people of the whole world, the U.N. General Assembly last year adopted a resolution on supporting the principle of the independent and peaceful reunification clarified in the north-south joint statement and dissolving the "United Nations Commission for the unification and rehabilitation of Korea", a U.S. imperialists' tool of aggression and interference in the internal affairs of Korea. This is our great victory and an important step helpful to the solution of the question of Korea's reunification.

But there still remains a more fundamental question in pursuing an end to the interference of outside forces in our country and there are a lot of questions to be solved.

The U.S. imperialists are still occupying South Korea under the flag of the United Nations and wantonly interfering in the internal affairs of our country. The U.S. imperialists are constantly instigating the South Korean authorities to nation-splitting acts to create "two Koreas" and zealously defending the war racket and fascistization policy of the South Korean authorities. The Japanese militarists are also persistently obstructing the independent and peaceful reunification of our country, actively following the U.S. imperialists' interference in its internal affairs and their splitting policy toward it.

With the zealous encouragement of the U.S. imperialists, the South Korean authorities are clinging ever tighter to the sleeves of outside forces to maintain their crumbling system of military fascist rule and heading for the perpetuation of division, not reunification. The South Korean authorities betrayed the principles of independent and peaceful reunification

agreed upon in the north-south joint statement and are begging for the U.S. imperialist aggressor troops' permanent occupation of South Korea and further intensifying fascist suppression of the South Korean people, who demand reunification, and new war provocative manoeuvres.

If the independent and peaceful reunification of our country is to be accelerated under the present conditions, the U.S. imperialist aggressor troops, the main obstacle to it, must be driven out of South Korea and the "two Koreas" plot of the splittists within and without be smashed. Our Party and the Government of the Republic will bend every possible effort to remove all the obstacles lying in the way of national reunification and reunify the divided country by the efforts of the Korean people themselves, without interference of outside forces.

We strongly demand that the U.S. imperialists stop their moves of aggression and interference against our country, quit South Korea forthwith and desist from instigating or patronizing the South Korean authorities. If the U.S. imperialists, defying our repeated warnings, keep occupying South Korea and defend the nation-splitting manoeuvres and fascistization policy of the South Korean authorities, they will get nothing from this, but will suffer only an ignominious defeat.

We think that the United Nations should deal a deserved blow to the U.S. imperialists' aggression on our country and their interference in its internal affairs. The United Nations should take the "U.N. Forces" helmets off the heads of the U.S. imperialist aggressor troops occupying South Korea and force them to withdraw from there and take measures helpful to the Korean people in reunifying the divided country by themselves, without interference of outside forces.

We are convinced that the peoples of all countries of the world who value justice and love truth will actively support and encourage the struggle of the Korean people to check and frustrate the interference and splitting manoeuvres of outside forces on our country and reunify the divided country by themselves.

I take this opportunity to express deep thanks to the Government of the Republic of Senegal and the Senegalese people for their active support to the struggle of our people for reunifying the country independently.

Question: What is your position on the problems of decolonization of the African continent?

Answer: The African people have waged a stubborn struggle to liquidate colonialism and achieve national independence and won a great victory in this struggle. On the African continent, many countries have already won national independence and embarked upon the road of a worthy struggle for building a new life. The African continent which was called "colonial continent" and "continent of darkness" in the past is turning today into a new continent shining with the bright rays of freedom and liberation. Colonialism is living its last hours on the African continent.

Today the African people are vigorously struggling to finally liquidate colonialism on the African continent, consolidate the already won national independence and build a prosperous, new society.

The Korean people consider the struggle of the African people against imperialism and colonialism and for the final liquidation of colonialism on the African continent as a most righteous one and regard it their noble internationalist duty in actively support and encourage it. The Korean people fully support the peoples of Mozambique, Angola, Guinea-Bissau, Zimbabwe, Namibia, Tanzania and other African countries in their struggle against the colonialists and racists and will always stand firmly on their side.

In order to finally liquidate all forms of colonialism on the African continent, consolidate national independence and attain social progress and prosperity, it is imperative to steadily strengthen the anti-imperialist, anti-colonialist struggle.

Unless the imperialist aggressors are driven out, they do not give up their domination over the colonial and dependent countries. It is the nature of imperialism to invade and plunder other countries.

The people should fight to a finish against the foreign imperialists, upholding the banner of anti-imperialism and independence, and make a clean sweep of the left-overs of colonialism in all fields, political, economic and cultural. Only then is it possible to achieve national independence and build an independent and prosperous, new society.

If the African people are to win final victory in the struggle for decolonization, they should further strengthen solidarity among the people. Solidarity among the people is the source of strength and a firm guarantee of victory.

When the people of all the African countries closely unite and resolutely struggle, they will chase the imperialists sooner or later out of all regions of Africa to the last man, finally liquidate colonialism and build a new, independent and prosperous Africa, an Africa for the African people.

We firmly believe that the African people will surely achieve final victory in the struggle for decolonization.

"Three Weeks" was a scandalous success when it was first published in 1907 and made the name of Elinor Glyn world famous. As she herself said, "It seems almost incredible now that it should have been thought so highly improper."

When Mrs Glyn was stricken with typhoid and rheumatic fever, she spent her convalescence writing in blue school copybooks an account in letter form, of her Edwardian weekend visits to the grand houses. In 1900 it was not "the thing" for a lady to become an authoress, but a friend who worked on a newspaper coerced Mrs Glyn into publishing these somewhat saucy "letters" in instalments with the name of the author veiled in utmost secrecy. The "letters" caused a great stir in the evening newspaper, for they were not only vastly entertaining, but also "daring" and indiscreet. The next instalment was eagerly awaited. Little wonder that a brilliant young Mr Gerald Duckworth, about to become the famous publisher should become interested in this unknown authoress. By degrees he prevailed upon Mrs Glyn to allow him to publish these "letters" as a novel, and *The Visits of Elizabeth* was the beginning of Mrs Glyn's long career of success. The "letters" when published in 1900 were considered "shockingly immoral", but they made Elinor Glyn famous. With her first cheque from Duckworth, in spite of opposition to such extravagance from her husband, she bought her first tiger skin.

Mrs Glyn travelled to Egypt and Italy, and her romantic imagination was inspired. But these highly coloured countries only made her feel more than ever unwanted and frustrated, for they highlighted the fact that her interests were so removed from those of her Philistine husband. As a catharsis for her unhappy cravings for attention and flirtations, she wrote lurid descriptions of imaginary love-affairs. Venice seemed the ideal setting for romance and she wrote day-by-day descriptions of the intrigues that she yearned to enjoy. However, these notes were laid aside and her next published work was *The Reflections of Ambrosine*, a somewhat banal, snobbish work compared to *Elizabeth* and this was soon to be followed by *The Vicissitudes of Evangeline* (in the United States published under the title *Red Hair*) which once more was light-hearted and witty.

Due to her love of the exotic beauty, and an innate sense of luxury which was to remain with her all her life, Mrs Glyn's financial situation was always somewhat precarious; a crisis could not doubt be stalled if she could embark upon another publication. Having read one January morning in 1903 of the murder of Queen Draga of Serbia, Elinor Glyn was inspired, while staying with Lord Kintore near Glamis, to improvise, by the light of a burning log fire, a Ruritanian romance between an enigmatic queen and a young man who had been to Eton and Oxford. As a battle ground for the climax of their passion she recreated the impressions she had written while in Venice. As soon as the weekend party ended, Mrs Glyn returned to her house in Essex where, with her imagination aflame, she started to write *Three Weeks*. In six weeks her masterpiece, with hardly any alteration or correction, was finished.

Three Weeks has a simple story: Paul Verdaine, a splendid young English animal in the best class, accompanied by his valet, goes to Switzerland to recover from an accident in the hunting field. Paul, according to his mother a god among men, is blond, athletic and blue eyes. He has a left behind him Isabella Warren, a large ungainly girl with red hands, a parson's daughter, who liked to wash Paul's dog and was good at lunge. But Isabella retires into the limbo of the forgotten when, on the first night at his Lucerne Hotel, Paul saw, dining alone near his table, an enigmatic woman well over 30, with an aspirin-white face, green eyes and curls of black shiny hair. "Her mouth was an appetizing flower of a mouth—a straight mouth." This siren was wearing black, with a hat, and a cascade of unbrassies. She never once cast a glance at Paul as she eyed with her fervid, *fruit bleu*, and quail, and picked at a *saucelle d'agneau au lait*. (Paul ate lamb chops à l'anglaise.) As she sipped her ruby-coloured claret, Paul wondered—could it be Chateau Lafite at 20 francs? This naïf young man became fascinated by eyes, eyes, eyes—and a mouth that was red, red, red. The queen-like lady became ever more mysterious and provocative until Paul was almost thrown into a state of coma. Then one night the phantom-like creature, who had never even exchanged a glance with the 23-year-old, whispered: "Come Paul, I love some words..."



The World of Elinor Glyn

by Cecil Beaton



she writes: "I will draw a veil over this part of his life." Yet she is not loth to give us more than a hint of the passion that was kindled: of how Paul's youth and health sang within him, how he devoured the lady with his eyes as they "drifted", and of how it was Fate that brought them together. Paul was "so asleep" as the woman's eyes, in their narrowed lids, pierced him. "I will teach you to love", she said and Paul and his nameless lady spent three white-hot weeks together.

One day the heroine was in the "devil's mood"—and her servants were tense. Another day she became a soaker. At one time "she is weighing things". What things? Another time she wasted her caresses on a newly-bought tiger skin, "her lover in another life". She tossed a scarlet rose at Paul, and he who could have strangled her with love, instead hit the rose. With brilliance and relish, Mrs Glyn plays every variation in this sensual symphony for full orchestra. She describes the idyllic picnics on the Burgenstock, the lady seeing that he buys the right rings, reading aloud to him, singing to the guitar in a language he knew not of—an exquisite pleasure of "sound that was almost pain".

The leading characters were wildly far from the truth. It was even suggested that this was a roman à clef about the Romanovs.

Elinor Glyn was the friend of intellectual university dons; she studied thoroughly the subjects that interested her. There is no doubt that the lives of historical prostitutes fascinated her as did all forms of eroticism. But Mrs Glyn was appalled that *Three Weeks*, which she considered to be of a high moral tone, should have created such a scandal. In her autobiography she wrote: "It seems almost incredible now that it should have been thought so highly improper!" Mrs Glyn made a contribution in breaking down much of the remaining Victorian hypocrisy. Although today when almost every novel gives explicit descriptions of the most private thoughts and behaviour, it is startling to think that Mrs Glyn, the perpetrator of such a crime, should herself be branded as a scabrous woman and outlawed in Society by all but a few loyal friends. In the face of such hatred and opposition, Mrs Glyn showed courage.

Although failure was unknown to her until almost the end of her life, Mrs Glyn's output of over 40 books was remarkable, she was never again to attain such success with this novel. It sold two million copies and made her fortune.

Mrs Glyn, a storm centre wherever she went, travelled throughout the United States promoting her book. For a woman who privately declared herself not interested in sex, and to be inspired only by the finer aspects of love, it must have been quite an ordeal for her to put herself on exhibition coffed and admired, whenever possible, as her heroine. The rhyme that cannot have amused her as much as it did others, ran:

"Would you like to sin with Elinor Glyn on a tiger skin? Or would you prefer to err with her on some other fur?"

Yet she courageously continued to pour out such stories as *His Hour*, *The Man and the Moment*, *These Things*, *The Price of Things*, *The Philist*, *A Play of Love*, *Man and Maid*, *The Great Moment*, *Six Days*, *This Passion Called Love*, *Love's Hour*, *It and other stories*, *Glorious Flames*, *Did She?*

When we look again at Elinor Glyn today, we see that she had a genuine talent for story-telling and that she wrote with a bold and clear style. Perhaps—apart from the sensationally romantic aspects—the success of *Three Weeks* derived from her true sincerity and enjoyment of what she was doing. She relished every passionate sentence that she wrote. It is significant that the words which she repeated most often were "passion", "mystery", "fire" and "soul". Her zest for cats of all sizes and breeds, gipsy orchestras, caresses in moonlight, whispers in ears, wet and intense rain, notes in jewel cases and the heavy scent of gardenias, is infectious. Mrs Glyn admitted that she was often faced with the alternative of becoming a prostitute with her pen, or her books. She chose the pen. Mrs Glyn possessed a great gift for making money, but she knew too how to spend it. However, the difficult vicissitudes were usually hurled until the publication of yet another book. Some of her cats, her loyal friends and her two daughters (both devotedly dedicated to philanthropic work), and her grandchild (a doctor) whom she amused with her imagination and sense of fun. She could bob a cherry for her mouth and return the stall tied in a bow with her magnificence. She loved picnics and now was able to indulge in those pleasures that had been criticised by Clayton Glyn. "Why at this moment of my life, I am a nun-of-dours, uncomfortable and when a meal is to be served indoors?" he had asked.

"The Empress" showed her bitterness at having been expelled from the household and her son set about making her own talking-films in England. Unfortunately, the film industry was still in its infancy and was not flourishing, and Mrs Glyn's authority, though she became antagonistic, destructive. With astonishing calm she ignored the fact that on two occasions when she had to leave the *Estreza* studio base, it was disastrous. In time to time she drew the car back to the wheels of the car had been unscathed. Mrs Glyn lost a great amount of her Californian fortune she had amassed in these ventures.

It was a great occasion my professional career. In my mother's handwriting, she had drawn up the plan for me. In an attempt to make the somewhat conventional background appear slightly more exotic, I had poured armfuls and lengths of silver tissues. Mrs Glyn nor disappointed. Her hair was parted in the centre and a plait was worn like a diadem. The intensity of her eyes at this period, admitted from its sketch (and caught in the skater's burn) by the painter Laszlo—was as piercing ever. She wore the long

Elinor was never lacking in gentlemen admirers whom she intrigued with a kittenish flirtatiousness; she had a penchant for Middle-European—Hungarians in particular—and the frequency with which she went abroad for a "cure" was remarked upon. Perhaps her caustic wit prevented her from making women friends who, while castigating her as a "vamp", admitted that her behaviour was above reproach. She showed her likes and those she disliked came under the lash of her tongue.

Elinor was often asked to pay Clayton's gambling debts, but when he started to borrow money from her investors, Mrs Glyn had to call a halt. Clayton and she became strangers, but when he died, she was for a while a grief-stricken widow in becoming weeds.

It was when Elinor Glyn appeared in the leading part of a stage production of *Three Weeks* (another success, a scandal) that Lord Curzon first saw her and fell violently in love with her. She became such a frequent visitor to Montacute that in the footman's pantry where the bells to the various rooms were indicated

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Them and Us assesses the cultural life of France. But don't reach for your gun. The programme ranges widely and you could enjoy it (BBC2 9.20). Hanky-panky looms in the wartime Upstairs, Downstairs (ITV 8.30). Kojak shoulders his way through another case (BBC1 9.20). Muhammad Ali prepares (BBC1 1.35).—L.B.

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9.00 am, Fingerboots. 9.15, The Aeronauts. 9.35, Tom Sawyer. 10.00, Ropertage. 10.25, Kontrakte. 10.50, The Virginian. 12.05 pm, Laurel and Hardy. 12.25, Weather. 12.30, Grandstand. 12.35, Football Focus. 1.00, Boxing: highlight from York Hall, Bethnal Green. 1.25, 1.50, 2.20, 2.50, Racing from Newbury. 1.35, Heavyweight Championship of the World: preview. 2.10, 2.35, 3.5, Tennis: Wimbledon Cup. 3.45, Rugby: Yorkshire Challenge Cup Final. Hurl. KR in Wakefield. Trinity. 4.35, Final. Scor. 5.05, Star Trek. 5.30, News. 5.45, Bruce Forsyth and the Generation Game. 6.35, Film: Where do Vultures Fly (1952) with Anthony Steel, Dinah Sheridan, Harold Warrender. 8.30, Dick Emery. 8.50, The Sounds of Petra. 9.10, Kojak. 9.20, News. 10.20, March of the Day. 11.20, Parkinson. 12.20, am, Weather. * Black and white.

Radio

Predestinate grooves
Radio 3's American Sunday turned out to be Charles Ives Centenary Sunday with additional material. I thought I didn't know one bar of Ives to bless myself with, but discovered otherwise: it seems one cannot help knowing him, rather as one cannot help knowing Bach—by the hymn tunes, combined in this case with the marches. So, 'heard in snatches, this somewhat estoteric day proved unexpectedly convivial: and even rather snug as one sat comfortably at home while John Dunn reported chilly rain descending over Grosvenor Square where the Band of the Life Guards and the Alexandra Choir had risked an outside broadcast. Some gentleman held an umbrella for the conductor of the band—although one might imagine that the horns and tubas stood in greater need of it. I tuned out for the last time at about 9.45, by which time the point had been well made that Charles Ives was and is quite a chap. Now this, as you may cavil, is a point of surpassing concern only to a relatively small number of people. True, and if you do, I will defend energetically but not ostentatiously to the death the perfect right of radio to devote quite a lot of its time—as much as it can get away with—to putting out programmes which only a few people (reluctantly) want to hear. I will maintain that the celebratory Sundays and other odd evenings—like last week's Polish—are in principle a very Good Thing. Pick your area of interest, look at it from this angle and, from that, try to communicate something of a foreign culture—its fool, its history, attitudes, beliefs. First class! And yet... It's when I come in the word "culture" that I start to hesitate, for it occurs to me that what in practice those Sundays have been about is not at all what I have described, but a different thing for which the selfsame word is used: Culture. Capital. The predominant interest of a Radio 3 Sunday is in high culture, in the arts. Feel and history, attitudes and habits take second place to that. At this point, savage reader, I am well aware of having handed you a weapon to use against me. If I am going to be consistent (oh please God, not yet...), then I should also defend the right of radio to give its time to high culture if that is what it and even a handful of its listeners want. OK, I defend it with one hot breath and with the next, a cold one. I don't see why it shouldn't stir itself in a different tune. Or is it, like the young man of Siam, a creature that moves in predestinate grooves? I'm not asking anyone to abandon the

London Weekend
9.00 am, Angling. 9.25, Play Guitar. 9.45, Saturday Scene. 9.50, Bannan. 10.20, London Bridge. 10.50, Junior Police Five. 11.05, Tarzan: Jst's Amnesia. 12.00, 45. 12.30 pm, World of Sport. 12.35, On the Ball. 1.00, Sports Special. Talk boxing and surfing. 1.10, News. 1.20, The ITV Six. 1.30, Stratford. 1.45, Doncaster. 2.00, Stratford. 2.20, Doncaster. 2.35, Stratford. 3.00, Doncaster. 3.10, Motor Cycling from Brands Hatch. 3.50, Results, Scores, News. 4.00, Wrestling. 4.50, Results Service. 5.10, News. 5.20, Woody Woodpecker. 5.30, News Faces. 6.30, Candid Camera. 7.00, Sale of the Century. 7.30, Kang F's. 8.30, Upstairs, Downstairs. 9.30, News. 9.45, Film: What's Good for the Goose, with Norman Wisdom (1967). 11.30, George Melly. 12.15 am, Pray for Peace.

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0.15 am, ATV. 10.05, Martial Arts. 10.30, News. 11.05, Martial Arts. 11.30, News. 12.15 am, Southern News. 12.30 am, News.

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1.00 am, News. 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SOUTH BANK CONCERT HALLS

Director: John Gannon CBE. Tickets: 928 3191. Telephone bookings not accepted. See page 10 for details.

ROYAL FESTIVAL HALL

LONDON PHILHARMONIC ORCHESTRA & CHORUS. Karl Richter. Mozart: Symphony No. 40 in G minor. Requiem, K. 626.

NEW PHILHARMONIA ORCHESTRA & CHORUS. Lorin Maazel. Verdi: Requiem. Wagner: Parsifal.

ROYAL PHILHARMONIC. Philip Ledger. Mozart: Requiem. Verdi: Requiem.

ORGAN RECITAL. JEAN COSTA. Royal Festival Hall. Organ recital for the Festival in October & November: £2.50.

BOURNEMOUTH SYMPHONY. Franco Seratino. Verdi: Requiem. Wagner: Parsifal.

NEW PHILHARMONIA. Lorin Maazel. Verdi: Requiem. Wagner: Parsifal.

NEW JAPAN PHILHARMONIC. Seiji Ozawa. Verdi: Requiem. Wagner: Parsifal.

LONDON BACH SOCIETY. Paul Steinitz. Bach: Goldberg Variations. Goldberg: Variations.

NEW PHILHARMONIA. Lorin Maazel. Verdi: Requiem. Wagner: Parsifal.

ORQUESTRA SINFONICA BRASILEIRA. Isaac Karabitschewsky. Verdi: Requiem. Wagner: Parsifal.

ROYAL PHILHARMONIC. Vernon Moad. Verdi: Requiem. Wagner: Parsifal.

ORGAN RECITAL. NOEL RAWSTHORNE. Royal Festival Hall. Organ recital for the Festival in October & November: £2.50.

ROYAL PHILHARMONIC SOCIETY. Pierre Boulez. Verdi: Requiem. Wagner: Parsifal.

LONDON PHILHARMONIC. Bernard Haitink. Verdi: Requiem. Wagner: Parsifal.

QUEEN ELIZABETH HALL. DONIZETTI'S MARIA DI RUDEZIO. Malcolm King. Verdi: Requiem. Wagner: Parsifal.

RITVA DEVI. Ravi Shankar. Hindustani Music. Queen Elizabeth Hall.

JUPITER STRING QUARTET. John McCaw. String Quartet. Queen Elizabeth Hall.

P. H. MUSA. P. H. Musa. Piano Recital. Queen Elizabeth Hall.

BOURNEMOUTH SYMPHONY. Franco Seratino. Verdi: Requiem. Wagner: Parsifal.

NATIONAL WESTMINSTER CHORAL SOCIETY. National Westminster Choir. Queen Elizabeth Hall.

JOAQUIN ACUCHARO. Joaquin Acucar. Piano Recital. Queen Elizabeth Hall.

IFD LIGNI. IFD Ligni. Piano Recital. Queen Elizabeth Hall.

METROPOLITAN WIND ENSEMBLE. Metropolitan Wind Ensemble. Queen Elizabeth Hall.

HAYDN TRIO OP. VIENNA. Haydn Trio. Queen Elizabeth Hall.

ENGLISH SINFONIA. English Sinfonia. Queen Elizabeth Hall.

ABBEY SIMON. Abbey Simon. Piano Recital. Queen Elizabeth Hall.

LONDON BACH SOCIETY. Paul Steinitz. Bach: Goldberg Variations. Goldberg: Variations.

PURCELL ROOM. CHRISTIAN BLACKBURN. Christian Blackburn. Purcell Room.

MICHAEL MURPHY'S MUSEUM OF MUSIC. Michael Murphy. Purcell Room.

ROYAL FESTIVAL HALL

NEW JAPAN PHILHARMONIC ORCHESTRA

Conductor: SEIJI OZAWA. FRIDAY 1st NOVEMBER at 8 p.m. For details see under "South Bank Concert Halls" column.

CITY OF BIRMINGHAM SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

FRIDAY 15th NOVEMBER at 8 p.m. LOUIS FREMAUX STEPHEN BISHOP CRESSA WOMEN'S CHORUS

Piano Concerto in E flat, K. 271. MOZART. The Pianoists. MOZART. HOLST.

TONI PRAXMAIR'S TYROLESE SINGERS & DANCERS. Schubliedler Dances - Yodeling Songs - Zither Music.

QUEEN ELIZABETH HALL

WEDNESDAY 30 OCTOBER at 7.45. PHILHARMONIA MOURA LYMPANY

Conductor: DAVID LITTAUR. MOZART. PIANO CONCERTO NO. 21. MOZART. PIANO CONCERTO NO. 23.

MARTINO TIRIMO piano

SUNDAY 10 NOVEMBER at 3 p.m. Schubert: Sonata in A minor, D.845. Prokofiev: Divertimento, Op. 43b.

THE NASH ENSEMBLE. SCHUBERT'S QUINTET IN A. D. 667 (The Trout). Schubert: Quintet in A. D. 667.

VESUVIUS ENSEMBLE

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Patricia Hayes returns to Shakespeare

When Nicol Williamson opens as Macbeth at Stratford next Tuesday, in the production by Trevor Nunn which (it is fervently hoped) will revive the flagging fortunes of this year's RSC season there, the part of a Witch—Mr Nunn is not keen to number them—will be played by Patricia Hayes, she of BBC television's Edna The Inebriate Woman and Beachcomber and countless situation comedies to which she has straggled for the likes of Beovy Hill, Eric Sykes, Arthur Haynes and Tooy Hancock.



As Maria in "Twelfth Night"

Not that this will be Miss Hayes's first Stratford appearance: she is already playing Maria in the current Twelfth Night and has worked that theatre before, though not, she admits, since 1933 to which year she was contracted to play Ariel by Bridges Adams but lost her contract when she was engaged just playing The Boy in Henry V and A Fairy in Midsummer Night's Dream.

In the 41 years which separate her two Stratford seasons Miss Hayes had done no other stage Shakespeare but a great deal of everything else: not born into but surrounded by a theatrical family (her ex-husband Valcot Rook was an actor, her son is Richard O'Connell, her brother is Brian Hayes and her daughter is an opera singer) she has spent a lifetime in acting for which she reckons, "all you need to be born with is a body and soul—all the rest is experience and technique."

gave me the ambition. Not that it's been one long easy life: still, I've had it better than some.

"I think radio was what saved me, really: I started doing little bits and pieces in the thirties, then when the war came and theatre life got scarce I did a lot more, and after the war all the comedians I'd been working with started going into television and they took me with them. Mind you, I had some rules: never turn down a job, never kid yourself they can't find someone else, never ask too much money, never get too many of the laughs."

What took Miss Hayes into a new lease of her career was undoubtedly the success of Edna which won her the Actress of the Year award in 1972.

"Oh, it was wonderful: everything an actress dreams about. A foreign director (Ted Kotcheff), like Svengali her kinder, saying 'Come on, you can do it, you will do it' and so I did. Mind you, I got hold with a lot of modern directors—they can be terrible hams, even worse than actors."

"But it is curious how your life goes around in circles: one of the earliest radio jobs I ever had was Prince and the New King John and the other day when the BBC were re-doing it I heard the casting people were trying to get my son Richard to play it and the producer said 'It can't get him, I suppose we could always try his mother again.'"

Until the end of January, Miss Hayes will remain at Stratford, alternating Maria and The Witch. What then?

"I really don't know: the number of jobs left to me is not so great that I can afford to do boring parts, but I'll never pick it up though I suppose it might pack me up—poor old dear, can't learn the lines! If someone would only give me the chance, I'd like to direct—I've had a good innings and I'd like to pass some of it on. What I know are the tricks of the trade—I'm not an academic, but I've already far too many of those around the theatre anyway."

Sheridan Morley

The heroic sweep of Charles Ives

Ives: Symphony No. 4. Lopedo Philharmonic/José Serebrier, RCA AR110589 (£2.43). Ives: Piano Sonata No. 1 No. 1. Lee. Nonesuch HY17169 (£1.98). Ives: Violin Sonatas Nos. 1-4. Paul Zukofsky and Gilbert Kalish. Nonesuch HB73025 (2 LPs) (£3.96).

least because of the diverse nature of its movements, each for a markedly different instrument. Working in isolation, Ives, somewhat like Mussorgsky or Berlioz, was free of traditional restraints, particularly with regard to external stylistic consistency, and whereas the Prelude uses only a chamber ensemble, plus choir, his second movement, among other things a collage of various popular musics, is for a very large orchestra. This is full of apocalyptic tensions: everything happens at once. Peace returns, though not without disturbing moments, during the fugal third movement, closely related to Ives's String Quartet No. 1, but multiplied in its use again in the finale, which, with its three distinct orchestral groups, is as mysterious, in a quite different way, as the Prelude.

A triumph for Peter Pears

The Metropolitan Opera made one of its rare bows to contemporary music on October 18 when the company presented the American premiere of Benjamin Britten's latest stage work, Death in Venice. Even as the curtain rose on the ten's starmen, even one with so much built-in box office appeal using the familiar Thomas Mann novella as its source, represents something of a gamble for the Met. Its audiences are arguably the most conservative in the world and it is not clear how far they are presumed to be guided by the need for sheer survival, has traditionally catered for its patrons' need to be comforted with standard works and star personalities.

New York Notebook/Clive Barnes

An economic tale of two cities

This is a tale of two cities—or rather a tale of two economies. The cities are New York and Caracas, each making a desperate last-ditch fund-raising effort for the survival of the National Ballet. The concept of public support for the arts (whether that support comes from foundation or government) is at best flimsy in the United States, and private support, whether it is as vast as Mrs Harkness's or so far more modest scale, is out in the days of recession, so readily forthcoming.

At present Caracas is a modest town artistically. It has 11 theatres, including an opera house, the Teatro Municipal, and a slightly smaller theatre on the same civic lines that is used for Zarzuelas and the like. At present there is no indigenous Venezuelan opera or ballet.

entire national budget going to education, but that a quarter of that quarter amounting to Caracas' economic effort is to be allocated to the arts and sciences. Wow! At present Caracas is a modest town artistically. It has 11 theatres, including an opera house, the Teatro Municipal, and a slightly smaller theatre on the same civic lines that is used for Zarzuelas and the like. At present there is no indigenous Venezuelan opera or ballet.

The Ford Foundation has suggested that it will probably have to cur its future programme by half, and many people think this is going to have a marked effect upon its arts programming. Already this year the National Ballet

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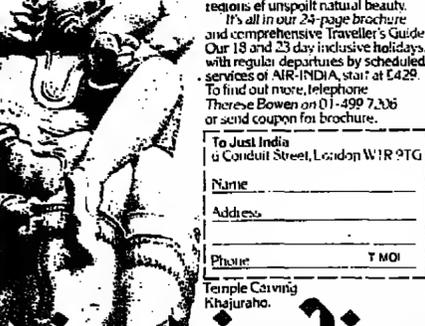
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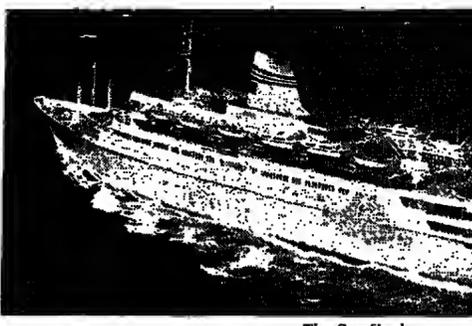


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Travel Cashing in on the class war

Passenger ships are among the last repositories of class—perhaps because when travelling together people need to have defined a status which at home defies itself. The word "posh" is said to have originated on the P & O line's service to India in colonial heydays, port-side and starboard home for the best cabins—and as recently as 20 years ago the great Atlantic liners still operated not two but three classes, with cabin interposed as an unobtrusive buffer between the upper classes in first, and the lower in tourist.



The Sagafjord

Gardening Flowers for your arbour

Last week I mentioned white currants which prompted a neighbour to ask who wanted white currants? This led to a fairly heated argument—brown versus white eggs came into it. Here people are silly enough to pay more for brown eggs, but in the United States I am told it is the other way round. The argument went back and forth; somebody pointed out that white fleshed peaches were not nearly so flavoured as the yellow fleshed varieties, and particularly the nectarines.

The finest flavoured grape is the white, or pale amber coloured, when really ripe, Muscat of Alexandria; white fleshed potatoes were cast as inferior to the yellow fleshed varieties, epitomized by Golden Wonder.

And here may I digress for a moment? Fewer and fewer firms are seeding seed potatoes by post, or rail these days, and who can blame them? It would be wise to seek out, if possible, a local supplier who will be having his stock of seed potatoes delivered in bulk, and place your order now. Ideally, we should have our seed of only varieties to band in late January or February so that they can be set up to sprout and thus hasten the bumpy day when we lift the first forkful of new potatoes.

Returning to white flesh; we have been delighted with the new cucumber Sigmadew from Suttons. It has an ivory, almost white, skin and is of an excellent flavour. The skin is very thin, and the plants produced a really heavy crop in the greenhouse. It is said to be suitable for growing outdoors in Southern England.

The point about it is that nobody fancied a white cucumber, and so we did not feel bound to give any away as normally happens. Thus we had a good supply of cucumbers right up to this week, and indeed we have had to give away what we have made very tasty ratatouille with them.

Another unusually coloured vegetable is the Golden Beetroot; we grew it last year but failed to see any advantage over the red variety. Golden tomatoes I have often mentioned, and we are still enjoying the last of ours—we like the flavour, although some people complain that it is too sweet for them.

Now to the question of arches, pergolas, screens and the like. Plants are a great help here. We have not only the plastic-covered square-meshed panels, but plastic-covered wire arches which, while not particularly attractive in themselves, are sturdy made, long-lasting and soon hidden by whatever climber one chooses to ramble over it.

Solid cut and planed timber of course is ideal for pergolas, but is expensive today mainly because of the heavy purchases by the Japanese in the world's timber markets. If you live in the country, rustic larch poles may still be had reasonably, but nothing, it appears, will be cheap any more. One supplier out far from us has just doubled his price for rustic poles. So maybe for durability we should look carefully at metal and plastic covered wire trellis for screens and shady arbours.

If the object of a pergola or arbour with several sides and a roof is to provide shade, shelter from winds and privacy, obviously one wants a fairly quick growing climber. In many countries, rustic larch poles may still be had reasonably, but nothing, it appears, will be cheap any more. One supplier out far from us has just doubled his price for rustic poles. So maybe for durability we should look carefully at metal and plastic covered wire trellis for screens and shady arbours.

The variety Brandt is strong growing, and the leaves turn a fine red and purple colour in the autumn. The grapes are sweet enough, and some people say they are "aromatic"; others say the flavour is "foxy" having as one parent *Vitis labrusca* which has a definite musky or foxy flavour.

The *Vitis vinifera purpurea* has richly coloured purple leaves, but the fruits are net much used. The most gorgeous foliage plant for a pergola is *Vitis cuneata*. It has huge leaves, often a foot across, which turn a glorious crimson and scarlet at this time of year. It is of course a plant for a fairly large pergola, but if desired, it may be allowed to romp up into the tallest trees.

It is easy enough to plant a fast-growing climbing rose like Mermaid or Albertaine to cover the pergola and call it a day. Or the fast-growing Russian vine *Poligonum boldschuanicum*, will provide dense shade and white flowers, and do it very quickly. If speed is essential, and massive covering is required, the climber *Conoclinium* is the one to plant. They will, however, need attention fairly

Food Forgotten fruits

Quinces and medlars, are they our forgotten fruits? How rarely we see either these days. A country greengrocer may have quinces in October if he has a local source, for quince trees are usually found in old gardens.

A quince should be picked from the tree when the fruit turns yellow. Unsuitable for eating raw, quinces are good for all manner of recipes that range from jams and jellies to being mixed with other fruits. They have a delicious mild flavour and turn apples pink. They can be used in apple pie, crumble or compote, usually in the proportions of 1 lb quinces to 1 lb apples. Treat them like a hard cooking apple, they pulp down quite quickly.

Whereas a quince is as hard as wood, when ready to use, medlars are soft and squishy. Medlars are an uncommon fruit and it is likely that you will only come by some through a friend. They are a curious looking fruit, rather like an overgrown rose hip with a very large calyx at the end. The time for picking them is the end of October and the beginning of November. For jams and jellies they should be hard and brown.

A jelly preserve made from quince goes a golden colour, whereas the same made from medlars turns a ruby red. Medlar jelly has a tangy flavour and is marvellous to use instead of reductant jelly, particularly with lamb. Both are mere of a savoury meat, rather than a bread and butter, preserve. Quince jelly is nice with game or pork.

Quince or medlar jelly Whereas quinces are best used in their own, the flavour of medlars is much improved if one whole lemon is cut up and added along with the fruit.

Makes 4-6lb 4lb quinces or medlars 4 pints of water granulated sugar—see recipe

Wipe and cut up the fruit coarsely. Place in a saucepan along with the water. Simmer gently, covered with a lid, until the fruit is tender—takes about 1-1 1/2 hours. Squash the fruit as it becomes soft with a potato masher to extract all the juice and pectin.

Draw the pan off the heat and ladle the fruit and liquid into a scalded jelly bag. Allow to drip for several hours, but not so long that the bag or cloudy jelly will result. With quinces you can make a second extracoco by boiling up the pulp with a further 2 pints of water for 30 minutes. Strain through the jelly bag as before.

Measure all the juice back into the preserving pan and for every one pint of juice, add 1lb granulated sugar. Stir over low heat to dissolve the sugar and then bring up to the boil. Skim and boil rapidly for a set—takes about 10 minutes. Ladle into pots, cover with waxed papers and seal when cold.

The quince in particular has a long history of use in cooking and recently while doing some research for a book called *Cooking and Eating* to be published next year, I came across a recipe in a 15th century cookery book called *Persy en compote*. A fruit compote combining pears with quinces, flavoured with red wine and cinnamon. A lovely recipe, as good today as it was then.

Compte of pears and quinces The finished dish has a rich red colour and a delicate flavour. An unusual dinner party dessert and one you can make the day before.

Serves 4-6 1lb cooking pears; 1lb quinces; 1/2 pint red wine; 1/2 lb sugar; 1 rounded teaspoon ground cinnamon; 1/2 lb eating dates; pinch salt.

Peel, core and quarter the pears and quinces. Place in a saucepan and just cover with cold water. Bring to a simmer and cook until tender—about 5-10 minutes. Drain off the heat and strain.

Put the red wine in a saucepan and add the sugar and cinnamon. Heat gently until the sugar has dissolved but do not boil. Meanwhile slice the cooked pears and quinces and stone and cut up the dates into small strips. Add the pears, quinces and dates to the wine syrup and add the salt. Simmer gently for about five minutes and then draw off the heat. Serve the compote cold with lightly whipped cream.

Katie Stewart

Chess Renaissance of the war game

The game of chess, as it originated some time in the fifth century AD somewhere in North West India, was in essence a war game and, war being a much slower affair at that time, the moves of the pieces were correspondingly tardy. The pawns, which constituted the infantry, could move only one square at a time. The Bishops, which were originally elephants, could only move two squares at a time and the Kings were unable to castle. Most marked in its limitations was the Queen. This piece was in fact not a Queen at all, but an adviser to the King, somewhat later a vizier and hence a sort of combination of prime minister and chief of the civil service—and we all know how slowly these people move. It could move only one square, and that diagonally. It is interesting to observe that the two pieces that have been comparatively unaffected by our superior modern methods of warfare, the Rook and the Knight, have retained the same move as when first invented. The Rooks were warships and provided the lanes were swept free, had the broad sweep of navy. The Knights were cavalry and have likewise retained their sleepchasing powers.

In order to speed up the game it had to come to Europe and once there, we Europeans, who have excelled all other continental collections of peoples in devising rapid ways of slaughter, have speeded the game up exceedingly. Pawns have been enabled to move two squares initially; Bishops have

vastly increased their scope; the King and Rook have been allowed to castle; most important of all, the Queen has become far and away the most far-reaching piece.

I believe that it was this dynamization of the game which rendered it more popular and, in the very literal sense of the word, more practised by the common people. It was, for many years in its earlier stages, a game played only by Kings and noblemen, a court game, and as such forbidden to ordinary folk.

Looking at the history of chess on a broad scale one could well view it as a continuous process of democratization over the centuries. Starting off as a game for Kings it became, in medieval times, also a pursuit of the upper classes, of the knights and also of religious denizens. In fact, for the thirteenth and fourteenth centuries it was regarded as a necessary knightly accomplishment.

Chess White: Bronstein. Black: Sicilian Defence.

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After 5... P-Q3, Black plays 5... P-Q3. This leads to troubles owing to the backward pawn on K3; preferable seems 13... P-KK2.

Black has emerged from the opening and early middle-game with two Bishops and quite a good position; but at the moment he is handicapped by the difficulty of developing his QB.

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Hereabouts White loses his grip on the game; a good plan was 30... R-Q2, preparing to double Rooks on either central file.

A weak move to which Black could have replied 33... P-K4 with effect; correct was 33... Kt-B3 ch.

A mistake that costs a piece; but his position was by now very difficult indeed.

Harry Golombek

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on Neil Allon
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Miss Korbut beaten

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Racing

Green Dancer is main threat to No Alimony Last chance for English horses

By Michael Phillips
Racing Correspondent
Not unlike the conjuror with his rabbits from a hat, Peter Walwyn has been producing good two-year-olds out of his stable with great regularity this season...

riced his stable irrepressibly forward this season.
But that his current odds are not a true reflection of his chance, but I think he is capable of winning all the same.

half a length by Karad in the Prix Hely. His form does not look nearly so good as he boasted by Green Dancer, who was alleged to have been unlucky not to beat Mariacci in the Prix des Chenes at Longchamps.

Park and Sandown Park easily that it had to be seen to be believed. William Pitt has his share of weight but he has been my idea of the probable winner of this race since I saw him run at Ascot and I do not intend to change boats in midstream.

From Fiera Guilloit
French Racing Correspondent
Paris, Oct 25
With the one big exception of Highclere, who won the Prix de Diane, English-trained horses have had a poor season in France.

Picairn, who appeared not to stay the 10 furlongs when finishing third to Giacomini in the Champion Stakes, is the only other English-trained horse to have won a Group race in France.

when he won the Prix du Capri corse over the course and distance of Class 1 Maisons-Laffitte. Karad is improving steadily and has won his last four races.

Northern Taste, Lings and Ace of Aces ran second, third and fourth in the Prix du Moulin last month with Moulines 10 to the rear. The race was a close-run affair and finished strongly to be beaten two lengths and a head.

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Pigot to ride

Dahlia in Canada
Toronto, Oct 25.—Lester Pigot will ride the French-trained filly, Dahlia, in the Canadian championship at Woodbine Park...

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THE TIMES BUSINESS NEWS

Keith Cardale, Groves & Co. Chartered Surveyors

GKN transmissions at the Motor Show on Stands 301-6

Citibank cuts prime rate to 11pc as America narrows the trade gap

From Frank Vogl Washington, Oct 25 First National City Bank, often the trend-setter on interest rates, today cut its prime lending rate to 11 per cent from 11 1/2 per cent.

hard data to support the widespread view that the Fed is relaxing its tough restraints on the growth of money supply.

visional trade deficit for the first nine months of the year of \$2,347.8m, compared with a \$500m surplus for all of 1973.

Panel tells company to enfranchise all shares

By Christopher Wilkins The Takeover Panel yesterday instructed Land & General Developments, the property company controlled by the former model Miss Penny Brahms, to take steps to enfranchise its non-voting shares.

British Airways considers Fokker as alternative to fill HS146 role

By Maurice Corina Industrial Editor British Airways may have to buy a Dutch-German aircraft to fill the HS146 role if the decision not to proceed with the HS146 airliner.

What it is not prepared to do is to phase out the Viscounts before 1980, whereas Hawker Siddeley is able to allow for production to begin by 1976.



Mr Henry Marking, British Airways chairman: Loss may be trimmed.

UN forecast of cheaper fertilizers in year ahead

Rome, Oct 25—A fertilizer expert says the present shortage of supplies should ease in the next year, with a resultant fall in today's high prices.

Midland Bank in Fed link-up

From Our US Economics Correspondent Washington, Oct 25 European-American Bank and Trust Co., an American subsidiary of a European consortium which includes the Midland Bank, has become a member of the Federal Reserve System.

German trade surplus gets unexpected boost

Wiesbaden, Oct 25—West Germany had a trade surplus of DM4,730m (about £788m) in September, compared with a surplus of DM3,155m in August and a surplus of DM3,781m in the previous week.

in the 1973 period, while nine-month imports climbed to DM132,317m from DM106,038m.

Panel will now be under strong pressure

Legally the Panel accepts that the undertakings given in 1970 are not binding, but it argues that there is a strong moral obligation upon Land & General and Napet to enfranchise the shares.

Hawker unions win a reprieve

By Raymond Perman Labour Staff Hawker-Siddeley has deferred for four weeks its decision to stop work on the HS146 airliner.

250 and that the rest of the 640 design staff, and 800 production workers could be redeployed.

CEGB fear of heavier fuel costs

By Our Energy Correspondent A new and powerful voice spoke up yesterday in favour of motorists carrying the full burden of increased crude oil costs through a 10p a gallon rise in petrol prices.

Further pressure on gilt-edged stocks

Gilt-edged stocks suffered further selling pressure in London yesterday, on continuing doubts regarding the prospects for rising inflation.

EEC ministers to consider new employment laws

From Ronald Kershaw Northern Industrial Correspondent New European laws to safeguard employees and act as a counterweight to the formidable growth of multinational companies will be considered by the EEC Council of Ministers at its next meeting later this year.

mission had produced four new laws as a stopgap, and the Council of Ministers was considering guidelines on which a policy relating to multinational companies might be formed.

American Brands bids £23.3m for rest of Gallaher

American Brands, which already owns 80 per cent of Gallaher, one of the major United Kingdom tobacco groups, is bidding £23.3m to buy up the remaining shares.

N Sea accident likely to delay Frigg gas

By Roger Vielvoce An unpremeditated accident during the positioning of a 6,500-ton offshore drilling platform is likely to add to delays in the Frigg gas field in the North Sea.

Shipyard peace moves again end in deadlock

By R. W. Shakespeare Fresh moves to try to settle one of the pay disputes that have closed two major shipyards and between them made some 11,500 workers idle, ended in deadlock yesterday.

Vauxhall pay offer accepted on shop floor

By Our Northern Industrial Correspondent Vauxhall Motors interim pay settlement, which will give its 35,000 workers wage increases of £5.20 a week immediately, appears to have been widely accepted on the shop floor.

2 rise for drivers

A thousand striking lorry drivers, meeting in York yesterday, accepted a £12 a week pay raise giving them £40 for a hour week—a deal which met their claim.

How the markets moved

Table with columns: Rises, Falls, and How the markets moved. Lists various stocks and their price changes.

THE POUND

Table showing exchange rates for various countries like Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, etc.

Australia investment quest

From Herbert Mischel Melbourne, Oct 25 Dr Jim Cairns, deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Overseas Trade, will fly to the United States and the Middle East in two weeks in an effort to attract investment money to Australia.

Italian prices soar

The Italian retail price index rose a record 3.3 per cent last month, making a 2.6 per cent increase over the past year.

Is your portfolio worth more now than in July 1970?

Since the Brown Shipley Unit Fund was launched in July 1970, the income units have risen by 7.5% compared with a fall in the F.T. All-Share Index of 39% for the same period (to 7 October 1974).

Miss bank closing

A small Zurich bank is going into voluntary liquidation because of general declines and shrinking assets.

Plant rerieved

Best furnace and coke plant at Ford's Dagenham factory which were to have been sold next year, have been bought back and the jobs of 410 workers have been saved.

Record levels with the London daily price

record levels with the London daily price of £10 at £410. Copper was 54 clearer while tin advanced another 254. Zinc eased 25 and LME silver was slightly lower.

Shop stewards at Luton and Ellesmere Port cars have voted to accept the deal

Shop stewards at Luton have agreed to accept the deal to recommend it to shop floor meetings. Yesterday Transport and General Workers' Union members at the Merseyside plant voted to accept. Workers belonging to the Amalgamated Union of Engineering Workers will meet today to vote.

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PERSONAL INVESTMENT AND FINANCE

Grouse

The decision by Barclays Bank to offer a cheque guarantee service was a long awaited improvement, prompted by growing demand from customers. In enabling customers to pay for goods and services by cheque more easily the move is wholly to the good.

But not all are happy with the bank's decision to provide the new service by incorporating it into the existing Barclaycard instead of issuing a separate card.

Many regular customers who bank with Barclays have hitherto declined to hold a Barclaycard because they disliked the credit facilities it offered.

For such people it was already inconvenient that if they chose to forgo the temptations involved in holding a credit card they also had to forgo the convenience of being able to cash cheques at branches and banks other than their own.

Customers of the other clearing banks, it is argued, have

the option to hold a card which gives them the convenience of multi-branch cash drawers facilities and a cheque guarantee service, without the necessity to hold a credit card.

Barclays' simple answer is that those who do not wish to use the credit facilities provided by Barclaycard need not. This may be less than satisfactory for those who object on principle to what they see as an invidious attempt to put the temptation of easy credit in their path.

But Barclays also argues that the proliferation of cards of one sort or another makes it desirable to provide as many facilities on one card as is possible. To this end it is about to embark upon experiments which, if they prove technically successful, could allow customers to use their Barclaycards for an additional wide range of facilities.

Early next year the bank is to begin trials in six branches with a self service financial terminal which, in addition to dispensing cash, offers such services as depositing, supplying account statements, making inter-account transfers and providing cheque books.

Taxation: Readers ask

Deductions for working abroad

Some weeks ago I wrote about the sweeping changes affecting foreign employments and pensions and this has given rise to a number of inquiries from readers.

One asks: "What about the man away for one week, or even one day? Can he claim the 25 per cent deduction on the overseas earnings?"

A recent press release issued by the Inland Revenue answers this question and clarifies the rule concerning short working trips abroad which I mentioned in my column.

"Some press commentators on the provisions in this year's Finance Act on the taxation of foreign earnings have suggested that a person who is abroad for fewer than 365 days and whose visits to the United Kingdom in that period amount to more than one sixth of the time spent overseas, will not qualify for the 25 per cent deduction, notwithstanding that the relevant duties are carried out wholly outside the United Kingdom."

"This is not so. The legislation prescribes no minimum length for a period of absence from the United Kingdom, and in the circumstances indicated each spell of absence between visits back to the United Kingdom is regarded as a separate period."

"Thus if a United Kingdom resident goes abroad in May on a foreign employment, returns to the United Kingdom in July, resumes his employment abroad in November and then returns to the United Kingdom in December, his foreign earnings for the two periods May to July and November to December would qualify for the one quarter deduction, even though the time spent in the United Kingdom between his first departure and his final return exceeds the periods specified in Paragraph 2 Schedule 2 to the 1974 Finance Act. Each period of absence from the United Kingdom is a separate 'continuous period'."

"The length of periods spent in the United Kingdom is relevant in the context of the criteria for determining whether the earnings qualify for the 100 per cent deduction by reason of a continuous period of absence from the United Kingdom which includes 365 or more consecutive days."

"The short answer to the question is, yes—the 25 per cent deduction can be claimed. A reader who is domiciled abroad has written to say that he is employed by an overseas company, but performs most of his duties in this country as manager of a United Kingdom branch of the company (see here). In the past he has been taxed on the amount of earnings remitted to this country and would like to know to what extent the rules have changed under this year's Finance Act."

"As this reader is both non-domiciled and has a foreign employer his emoluments are technically known as 'foreign emoluments' and they are subject to special rules. From April 6, 1974, the remittance

basis ceases to apply and one half of his earnings are chargeable to United Kingdom tax; in other words, he is allowed a deduction of 50 per cent.

If foreign tax is also payable here, there will be relief for the overseas tax.

From April 6, 1976, however, the deduction will be reduced to 25 per cent, making 75 per cent taxable here in those cases where the foreigner has been resident for nine out of the preceding 10 years. Those who have found it necessary in the past to remit most of their earnings here will in fact benefit under the new rules.

Turning to foreign pensions, a reader writes: "You say that only 50 per cent of an overseas pension is taxable if it arises from wartime events in Nazi Germany. Do I take this quite literally or does it refer to other German pensions in the course of compensation for former refugees from Nazi Germany as well?"

"Germany is indeed helpful if I quoted from the Act itself. The 50 per cent deduction refers to a pension 'payable under any special provision made by the law of the Federal Republic of Germany or any part of it or of Austria for victims of National-Socialist persecution'."

"If the annuity is already tax free under section 377 of the Taxes Act, 1970, it will continue to be so. This applies to compensation paid under the law of the Federal German Republic to victims of National-Socialist persecution in the form of a pension or annuity."

"There is total exemption from tax in this country provided the compensation is exempt from tax in Western Germany."

When discussing the powers of the Inland Revenue I mentioned that a fruitful source of information is our banks. The tax office can require a bank to supply the names and addresses of all persons to whom interest is paid, gross of tax, in excess of £15.

A reader tells me: "Some months ago I raised this point with a bank manager who said that this figure of £15 had now been raised to £25. This was a local decision but a directive from head office, according to the bank manager."

"The trend in such matters would appear to be that interest in excess of £25 may well be increased and many of your readers would appreciate it if they could be kept informed."

"I was of course writing about the powers that can be exercised under the taxing acts by the Inland Revenue and not necessarily what is exercised in practice. Whatever limits are in practice imposed, remember, does not effect the tax position."

No matter how small the amount of interest, it is taxable in the hands of the recipient and must be included in the annual tax return.

Vera Di Palma

Law

New lease for cut price conveyancing

The intervention of a heavily-financed United States-style title guarantee company into the traditional, staid, conveyancing market, at present the almost total prerogative of the solicitors' profession, could have consequences significantly affecting the entire procedure governing house purchase in Britain.

For the first time, the solicitors' apparent, hitherto monopoly of being seriously challenged. Up to now there have been a number of isolated attempts to offer conveyancing at a discount, but these have either run into legal difficulties, or the bodies concerned are too small to be a real threat to the profession.

The legal snags revolve around section 20 of the Solicitors Act 1957 which prohibits an unqualified person from drawing up certain documents, deemed to be important being the deed of transfer in property transactions, unless he does so without getting or expecting a fee, gain or reward."

Stewart Title UK, a subsidiary of a Texas company, will be resident for nine out of 20 because it will in fact use solicitors where required by law. It argues, however, that a large proportion of the formal work involved in a property transaction need not be done by a solicitor, nor at the price a solicitor would normally charge.

With Lord George-Brown as its heavyweight chairman, and an impressive board, Stewart Title claims that it can reduce conveyancing costs by between a half and a third, and reduce



Lord George-Brown: chairman of Stewart Title UK.

financial aspects of claims are handled in Houston, Texas. There is no reason to think that the money is not there or that most claims will not be settled easily, but where there is a dispute about the claim there is the possibility of having to go to court in Texas.

One exclusion clause in the contract seems particularly restrictive. The company will not indemnify the owner against loss arising from "discrepancies, conflicts, in boundary lines, shortage in area, encroachments and the like"—precisely the sort of disputes which can arise over a defective title.

The Property Transfer Association provides a conveyancing service at even cheaper rates. For a £10,000 house, unregistered title, the fee is £49

Talking shop

A bicycle for Christmas?

Bicycles are always popular as Christmas presents. At selling prices of between £30 and £40 many families would be placing their orders and arranging credit terms well in advance anyway. But this year the necessity to allow plenty of time for buying is more acute than ever before.

For thanks partly to the three-day week, cutbacks by manufacturers and burgeoning world demand, bicycles are in short supply. There certainly appears to be a real scarcity of good second-hand models.

The energy crisis affected manufacturers, like the giant Raleigh Industries whose Nottingham plant is said to be the largest in the world. In two ways it has affected them. It created shortages of a wide variety of components, not only steel for frames but also plastic handle-bar grips and pedals, all of which has held up production.

At the same time the threat of fuel rationing, rising petrol prices and transport strikes boosted demand. The industry estimates that sales this year should reach one million units compared with only 700,000 in 1971.

The result has been to depress the discount end of the retail trade. There are a few dealers whose names are listed weekly in publications like Exchange and Mart who offer money off terms. But many of these appear to be equally as enthusiastic about buying or offering part exchange as selling.

It is fairly pointless to search the shops for discount terms on better known models. Unless you happen to live near a suitable dealer it will probably cost more in transport and energy than the discount is worth.

The hudget-conscious would do better to look for private sales of second-hand bicycles. Children do grow out of bicycles and an advertisement placed anywhere where parents are likely to see it may pay dividends.

The cheapest way to buy a bicycle in London would be at auctions. Those who think that cycling is a forgotten pastime may be interested to learn that no less than 10,515 bicycles were reported last year. A quick recovery are never claimed by their owners.

Scotland Yard tell me that on average between 80 and 100 unclaimed bicycles are auctioned each Monday by General Auctions Ltd at premises in Wandsworth at prices ranging from £2 to £25 each.

Conary in popular suggestion, private individuals as well as dealers can attend and cycles are sold individually as well as in lots.

Pensions

Is Mrs Castle's plan good enough for widows?

We hear a lot nowadays about women's rights and particularly about widows. Mrs Castle made much of the provision for widows in the new second-tier scheme of 100 per cent widows' pensions.

By implication, she criticized previous proposals, which allowed only 50 per cent widows' pensions, and less directly (her predecessor, Richard Crossman was notably forthright in this respect) occupational pension schemes, which generally also allow a 50 per cent widows' pension.

All of which proves, if nothing else, how misleading figures can be: for the 50 per cent commonly provided by occupational pension schemes is normally half of the pension member would have expected to earn by the time he retired. The 100 per cent offered under the new state proposals is the full amount of pension the member has in fact earned up to the date of his death.

Another factor to be borne in mind is that not all widows will qualify under Mrs Castle's scheme. Where there are no dependent children to be taken into account only widows of 50 or over will be eligible for the full 100 per cent benefit; for widows between 40 and 50 years of age there are scaled down benefits; and for widows under the age of 40 only their dependent children are eligible to receive a second-tier widows' pension.

Assuming the husband died after retirement, it is a matter of opinion whether a widow needs much to live on as a married couple—if not, a 100 per cent widows' pension is more than necessary and the money spent on providing it would be better spent on some other benefits.

The Inland Revenue takes the view that 100 per cent is too much; the maximum widows' pension is two thirds of the member's own maximum. On the other hand, the Inland Revenue is concerned with a higher level of benefits than the state scheme—its limit for widows' pension works out in broad terms at four-thirds of the member's salary (adjusted for changes in the value of money) and has no limit on the salary to be taken into account.

Ignoring the flat rate pension, the new second-tier state scheme 100 per cent widows' pension proposed under the White Paper is 25 per cent of earnings up to a limit (of about one and a half times national average earnings). You can make a good case for providing more generously at the lower level.

It is another matter altogether when you come to look at the position of a man who has retired. A simple example illustrates the difference: if your scheme provides a pension of one sixtieth of final pay for every year of service and you earn £2,000 a year, your pension would be £1,333 after 40 years.

Most occupational schemes providing a widows' pension would be self-financing, even if £666 on death at any time before retirement. Mrs Castle's version of a 100 per cent widows' pension would pay the widow of a man who died after, say five years' service 100 per cent of five-sixtieths, which comes to £166.

In fact, under the second-tier state scheme proposals, the amounts are even smaller than this, because it will be providing appreciably less than one sixtieth for every year: for anyone due to retire within the first 20 years, the pension will be one-eighth for each year; for anyone due to retire

carry an indemnity policy, but says that there are ample funds to meet any claims against it. So far, in two years, there have been none.

Where does this leave the solicitor? The Law Society accepts that he is more expensive, but argues that the service he provides is wider and safer than that of a solicitor who buys and sells houses need advice as well as having to have the formal mechanical work, such as searching, done for them.

The Law Society is unhappy, too, at the Stewart Title plan to act for more than one party to a transaction. A client with a defect in his title caused by the solicitor's negligence is protected in a haphazard way. The Law Society has a compensation fund which can be used in certain circumstances.

Some solicitors, but by no means all, carry adequate professional indemnity insurance policies. A client can, of course, take out his own insurance, but this is a rare occurrence and is generally only done on the advice of a solicitor in respect of a known defective title.

The impact of the Stewart Title scheme, if even mildly successful, will be to attract to the conveyancing field competitors with strong financial backing, and will also allow the smaller, local, cut-price outfits to operate with greater impunity, especially where it is likely to happen soon, the courts clarify the law. The solicitors' conveyancing "monopoly", in law and in fact, may be on its last legs.

Marcel Berlins

Round-up Insurance industry to the rescue

After a week of worry 80,000 policy-holders in London Indemnity and General Insurance will be relieved to know that the tentative proposals to mount a rescue operation for the company, which is technically insolvent, have acquired substance.

By the same token, the 160,000 policy-holders in Welfare Insurance who were frightened that their company might also be forced into a similar situation as at LIGI have the reassurance that Welfare is to be taken under the wing of the substantial London and Manchester Insurance.

Subject to the approval of the courts and LIGI's financial situation not turning out to be materially different than is generally understood, the rescue consortium put together by some 30 insurance companies, will meet most of LIGI's obligations to policy-holders.

Income bond-holders will have their income and maturity benefits guaranteed but the guaranteed surrender value will be replaced by the going actuarial surrender value. If at the end of the day when the income bond element of the life fund is finally discharged there is any surplus, this will be divided out among policy-holders who surrendered their bonds before maturity.

The other class of policy-holder affected by the new proposals will be the annuitants of LIGI, which did offer very generous annuity rates. These benefits will be reduced by 10 per cent which will peg them nearer to the annuity rates offered by the more orthodox insurance offices.

It might take several weeks for the rescue operation to be completed, but the understanding is that people who miss their income payments during the interim period will receive a settlement later.

The situation at Welfare never reached such crisis proportions despite a severe run on the company from policy-holders anxious to cash in their bonds at any cost. The effective rescue operation with the Century and Manchester should be the panic, and at this stage the indications are that there will be no subsequent alteration to the terms of the income bond contract.

The miles of bank counters owned by the country's clearing banks are being increasingly used to dispense more than cash. A developing trend is the sale of simple insurance packages in bank branches.

The latest entrant into this field is the Midland Bank which has just introduced a new household insurance scheme, the Griffin Household Insurance Plan, for direct sale over the bank counter.

The scheme, which contains eight "packages" is being underwritten by the Sun Alliance and London Insurance in conjunction with the Century Assurance, the Iron Trade Mutual Insurance and the Legal and General.

An important and welcome feature of the insurance is that it is being arranged on the replacement value of both contents and buildings—provided, of course, you keep the sum insured up to date. The Midland has undertaken to remind its customers, who are expected to pay their premiums by standing order, that the sum insured ought to be increased to allow for the effect of inflation.

This week two of the country's largest building societies, the Leeds Permanent and the Woolwich Equitable (ranking fourth and fifth in size respectively) have come out firmly against any change in building society mortgage loan rates for the time being. This is the semi-official view, too, of both of the industry and the Government.

So it was left to Tim Timbrell, chief general manager of the Abbey National (second largest society in the country) to stand up for investors. Writing in the latest quarterly journal of the Building Societies Institute he has spoken up on behalf of the investor as opposed to the borrower.

It is wrong in present circumstances for the borrower to pay an unduly low rate in comparison with general market rates, indirectly taking further from the investor," he said.

He added: "At a time when everything is going up in price there is one specialist and favoured section of the population in the house-owner who sees his actual outlay going down."

Coming out next week is a new unit trust for Scottish Nationalists and others. Lawson Securities is launching a "Corridor" Resources and General Fund to invest in particular growth sectors of the Scottish economy.

Unit trust performance

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FINANCIAL NEWS

Investor's week In reverse • Tougher SE

The pre-Budget rally in equities ran abruptly into reverse last week. Market indices gave up most of the previous gains and the downturn was accompanied by a worrying increase in turnover.

Since the beginning of August, the Stock Exchange has revealed that it is conducting inquiries into share dealings in the following companies:

- George Kent
Carol Rottlein
Marl Investments
Dexin-Comino Ltd
Budge Bros
Peurella
Manchester Liners

Judged by the past record, that is an extraordinarily large number in such a short space of time. It is indicative of the new, tougher mood prevailing within the Council on the issue of insider trading.

In this context it is significant that the Council has only recently adopted the policy of revealing in advance all the investigations that it is carrying out.

But explaining more fully what it is planning to do is only one facet of the Council's new approach. This became clear when it revealed earlier this month the outcome of its investigation into share dealings in Dexin-Comino International just ahead of a bid for the company by the American Interlake Group in July.

The Council's report made it plain that some of those who had dealt may have had advance information and it backed up its conclusion with more insight into the workings of an inquiry than it had ever previously given.

All of this was more detailed than anything the Council had ever said before.

It can be no coincidence that the Council's new aggressive stance should have begun to emerge only shortly after the Stock Exchange had issued a

powerful response to the proposals contained in the Labour Party's Green Paper on company law reform.

At the heart of those proposals is the creation of a Companies Commission, a sort of British equivalent to the American Securities Exchange Commission with extensive powers to oversee the affairs of the City.

Such a Commission would be given the power to veto decisions by the Stock Exchange Council; it would take over the functions of the Takeover Panel backed by legal sanctions which are at present lacking; it would monitor day-to-day market trading with the authority to suspend shares if unusual trading patterns developed; and it would enforce tougher disclosure requirements.

The Stock Exchange has always argued that such stringent outside control is unnecessary and impracticable in Britain.

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EverReady growth spiked by controls and building recession

In line with market expectations, Ever Ready saw its interim profits, before tax, slide from £4.42m to £3.27m on sales up from £39.6m to £44.4m.

Overseas presented a mixed picture. Germany was slightly lower, although with some signs of recovery in the current half.

Price controls are estimated to have cut back the interim profits potential by £1.25m with the group able to recoup only half its additional costs.

The board say it is almost inevitable that there will be some decline in pretax profits for the year from last time's £12.9m. So far earnings a share are down from 3.62p to 2.85p.

Squeeze on P Henderson's earnings and liquidity

A strained cash position and more than halved profits have led to a squeeze on P. C. Henderson's sliding door group for the first half of its current term.

The persistently rising cost of materials and reduced cash generation is imposing stresses on liquidity and it is hoped early Government action will be taken to relieve pressures which the company cannot control.

While turnover increased from £4.7m to £5.3m profits were slashed from £552,000 to £250,000.

The group expects to continue selling more, particularly overseas, and it will seek to control costs "even more stringently".

Kwik Save beat clamp on margins

Commenting on the 21 per cent rise in pre-tax profits to £2.7m for 1973-4, the directors of Kwik Save Discount Group points out that this has been achieved in spite of a fall in margins from 8 per cent to 6.57 per cent.

The profit is trebled at Hugh Baird. Improving on their interim growth, which saw profits double to £295,000, Hugh Baird, multi-stair, harley and hop merchants, more than doubled their pre-tax to a record £685,000 last term.

With its trading area extending over North Wales, Shropshire, Cheshire, and Lancashire, the board is still expanding rapidly. Over the past year about nine stores were opened bringing the total to 53, and already in the current year four more stores have been opened.

Fortress Trust loss. Fortress Trust, the property group in which London and County Securities held a 32 per cent stake, made a loss in 1973 of £568,000 after making exceptional charges of £1.05m.

Unigate's food sales deal in France. BSN Cervais Danose and Northern Foods, which already have a food production and distribution pact, have signed a sales and production cooperation agreement with Unigate, Danose said in Paris.

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J. Hepworth 18pc off, but trend is improving

Although profits of the J. Hepworth tailoring group are still down on a year ago the trend is an improving one and with a return of £3.7m pre-tax for last term stock market expectations were more or less met.

New 3-tier structure helps Bishop's Stores to make first million

In fine shape at half-way—profits more than doubled, Bishop's Stores turns in pre-tax profits over £1m for the first time, thanks to all-round growth. In fact there was a 63 per cent advance to £1.03m, and the shares greeted this with a rise of 5p to 97p for the ordinary.

£342,000 and earnings a share from 6.36p to 8.3p. The year's dividend is hoisted from £2.49p to 2.62p—the maximum allowed. The group operates chiefly in the Home Counties with distribution depots and trade markets in several counties, plus 69 shops.

Horizons widen at Fidelity Radio

For the first time since being marketed in late 1971, profits of Fidelity Radio have paled and in the half year to September 30, at the pre-tax level, they show a 39 per cent fall from £907,000 to £554,000.



Mr. Jack Dickman, chairman and managing director of Fidelity Radio. Pre-tax profits slip on higher turnover.

They comment that substantial progress has been made overseas and that in the half year exports totalled £867,000, compared with £839,000 for the whole of last year.

Mr. Dickman says the board had to raise the momentum to help improve profitability which they have done by higher sales in export markets.

Drastic measures after big ADM Machines losses

Although the company has been trading profitably since March, the board of ADM Business Machines announces drastic steps to reorganise and institute adequate financial controls following a loss of £550,000 for the 12 months to March 31.

The group has now been re-organized into four operating divisions while a new financial director joined the board on June 17. Among measures taken are the closing of four loss-making subsidiaries, two of which were overseas. Urgent steps to reduce operating costs have been taken throughout the group.

Interim jump by R. Cole

Although first-half profits of R. H. Cole have leapt from £384,000 to £895,000, the board of this chemicals, plastics and electronics group says that the second half is unlikely to produce profits at the same level.

Net profit fell from 568,000 to £212,000, the attributable to £678,000 to £238,000, while earnings a share dropped from 13.5p to 6.3p. The total payment is 4.93p to 4.72p.

Burgess Products in good fettle make up leeway

Making a fine show of recovery after the disastrous first-half, shares of Burgess Products Co (Holdings), acoustical and electrical engineers, put up 2p to 25p yesterday.

The extent of the recovery in the second-half, the board adds, was slowed by additional costs incurred to the planned move of Burgess Industrial Silencing from the Midlands to the North.

Insurance

Prevention better than a burglary

As commerce and industry improve their security measures it looks as though thieves are turning their attentions to private houses. The rewards may not be so great, but a theft can be carried out much more easily.

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Briefly

- MAJEDIE INVESTMENTS: Reference to Saga House yesterday should have read Saga Estate.
CABLE TRUST: In nine months to September 30 profits, excluding £1.2m (1973-4), net assets a share 97p (1973-4) nine months before.
BRADN AG: World-wide turnover of the Braun AG, a German subsidiary of GIL, etc of Boston, rose 6.7 per cent to over 650m marks (£108.3m) in year in September 30, but profit declined by an unspecified amount.
GRAND JUNCTION: Some revenue for year to March 31 £1.8m (£2.6m) including £376,000 (£1.2m) dealing profits of subsidiaries. Net revenue £1.6m (£2.6m) which is absorbed by dividend to parent.
NEWMAN-LINDOP: Offer for Lindop Holdings equity not already owned by Newmann Industries has been declared unconditional. NI now has 93 per cent stake in Lindop.

Mining

North Kalgurli hearing date. Hearing of the proceedings instituted by North Kalgurli against Great Boulder Mines will take place on November 19. The company has told the Perth Stock Exchange that it is seeking a discontinuance of its partnership with Great Boulder, damages and certain other relief.

Jascot 16.2% INCOME from our Preference Share Fund advertisement. Includes details of fund performance, investment options, and contact information for Jascot Securities Ltd.

FINANCIAL NEWS AND MARKET REPORTS

Stock markets

Selling hits gilt-edged sector

Yields on long-dated Government stocks rose to record levels yesterday as the gilt-edged market suffered a fresh wave of persistent and sometimes quite sizable selling. By the close of trading, losses of up to 1/2 point were being displayed. Gloomy discussion in the press about the prospects for the "long-end" of the gilt market appeared to have been the main motivation behind the selling.

The fresh cut in a key United States prime rate failed to provide much comfort. Even record yields of 16.6 per cent had little impact, with confidence now totally dissipated, according to dealers. With "medium" shorts a point softer and longer "shorts" down 1/2 to 1 point, the result has been a sharp steepening of the yield curve.

Latest dividends

Table with columns: Company, Dividend, Yield, etc. Includes entries for ADM Mac Machines, Alcan Aluminium, High Britain, etc.

Steyn (£194) and many others. Profit-takers cut the Gallaher share price back to 125p at first. Disclosure that American Brands would offer 160p a share—exactly what the market had predicted—came late in the day and lifted Gallaher shares to 147p, a net rise of 16p.

Except for a few selected features, heavy engineers were sluggish. Investment selling drove De La Rue down by 8p to 112p.

BLM could make no recovery from the initial profit-taking sellers and closed 4p off at 81p. But Tube Investments, unchanged at 170p, had been a share—exactly what the market had predicted—came late in the day and lifted Gallaher shares to 147p, a net rise of 16p.

Consumer issues had a disappointing day; Mothercare weakened ahead of next week's trading statement. Boots (128p), together with several other store majors slipped by a few pence. A firm spot however was Bishops Stores (5p up to 59p) after the results.

Wall Street

New York, Oct. 25.—Stocks on the New York stock exchange closed virtually unchanged today after giving up a strong early gain.

The Dow Jones Industrial average closed at 636.15, down 0.07 point. Volume totalled 12,650,000 shares compared with 14,910,000 yesterday.

Silver nears 4c down New York, Oct. 25.—COMEX SILVER was a touch up 3/32 cent down to 60 1/2 cents a troy ounce, the close on Tuesday.

Financial shares remained perky, with the Canadian banks looking unsettled after the announcement of a rights issue by Toronto Dominion (the shares eased to E21 11/16 on some small selling).

Large table of stock prices and market data, including columns for various stocks and their prices.

Commodities

Sugar surges to new peak levels

A fresh burst of buying took London SUGAR prices to new all-time highs yesterday. The daily price was raised £10 to a record £210 a long ton, while futures soared between £18.25 and £20.50.

Reports that the Czechoslovakian sugar harvest of 1974-75 is threatened by bad weather and the United States Department of Agriculture's forecast of lower Argentine production and exports during 1974-75 were also mentioned in negotiating to buy 100,000 tonnes.

Foreign Exchange

The dollar was steady, or even firmer to Europe yesterday, as Holland apparently continued an emerging international trend towards lower interest rates among the stronger Western industrial economies.

Spot Position of Sterling

London bankers said the Dutch dollar was probably aimed at part in removing growing pressure in the European joint currency float, where the guilder is currently the strongest participant.

Forward Levels

Table showing forward exchange rates for various currencies like New York, Amsterdam, etc.

Eurobond prices (midday indicators)

Table of Eurobond prices for various countries and maturities, including columns for Bid, Offer, and Yield.

The Times Share Indices

Table of share indices including All-Share, Industrial, and other market indicators.

Money Market Rates

Table of money market rates for various terms like 1 month, 3 months, 6 months.

Authorized Units, Insurance & Offshore Funds

Large table listing authorized units, insurance companies, and offshore funds with their respective details.

Bank Base Rates advertisement listing interest rates for various banks like Barclays, NFA, etc.

Discount market

There was a severe shortage of credit yesterday in the discount market after a late Treasury swing against the market. The discount houses, however, were not too badly affected as they had mostly met their requirements by this time.

Recent issues

Table of recent issues including company names, amounts, and dates.

Large advertisement for Offshore and International Funds, listing various investment options and their details.

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Stock Exchange Prices

Widespread falls in gilts

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Law Report October 25 1974

Queen's Bench Division

Gas board liable for man's death in bath

Pusey v Peters and Another. Before Mr Justice Michael Davies. Negligence by North Thames Gas Board when covering a house to natural gas caused the death of a man in his bath during a routine maintenance visit.

The board's expert, who disagreed with Mrs Pusey's expert on the point, said that Mr Pusey had left the bathroom window open while the heater was operating and the bath filling.

It was not for the court to instruct the board how to go about their business. No warning of danger was given to the Puseys, on label that the heater was dangerous was fitted to it, and an airbrick was not once ordered by the board until two-and-a-half months after the conversion.

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Disclosure of hospital records

Deistung v South West Metropolitan Regional Hospital Board. Before Lord Denning, Master of the Rolls, Lord Cross of Chelsea and Sir John Pennycuik. Where a person likely to be a party to an action for alleged negligence against a hospital seeks an order under section 31 of the Administration of Justice Act, 1974, for disclosure of hospital records.

The Court of Appeal laid down the rule of practice in allowing a party to a medical negligence action to require disclosure of hospital records. The court held that the board should disclose all records which were in its possession or power.

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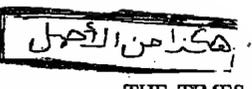
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